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## Chirac appointed; cabinet named

PARIS. - Socialist President Francois Mitterrand, opening a new page in French history, yesterday appointed Gualist leader Jacques Chirac as prime minister - four days after the narrow right-wing victory in the general election.

The ceremony at the Elysee Palace marked the first sharing of power between a president and a head of government of opposing political parties in the 28 years of the Fifth Republic founded by General Charles de Gaulle.

Chirac, 53-year-old mayor of Paris, succeeds Socialist prime minister Laurent Fabius, 39, whose party has ruled for five years - longer than any other left-wing government in France.

Chirac said his government will seek authority from parliament to push through denationalization, certain economic measures and the abolition of proportional representation.

A presidential spokesman announced the formation of a new right-wing cabinet and said it would meet under Mitterrand tomorrow.

The cabinet consisted mainly of leaders from the Neo-Gaullist Rally for the Republic (RPR), and centrist Union for French Democracy (UDF), which together with a group of independent right-wing deputies won a slender majority last Sunday.

The key foreign ministry portfolio went to Jean-Bernard Raimond, a 60-year-old diplomat who has been ambassador to Moscow since early 1985.

The economy minister was named as Edouard Balladur, Chirac's closest adviser.

Chirac has served as premier once before, in 1974-76, at which time he negotiated France's rapprochement with the Arab world and especially arms deals with Iraq. He negotiated the sale of a nuclear reactor to Iraq, the Tammuz, destroyed by Israel in an air strike in June 1981.

Since then he is considered to have changed his positions. As Paris mayor, a post to which he was elected nine years ago, he has developed a close working relationship with the city's Jewish community.

Before a trip to Israel in December 1984, he told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency that he had turned down invitations to visit Syria "as long as Syria's Jews are not free to leave the country."

An explosion tore through a crowded shopping arcade on the Champs Elysees yesterday, killing one person and injuring 22, officials said.

Fire officials said 11 of those injured in the explosion in central Paris were hurt "very seriously."

The blast happened at the height of the Paris rush hour, snarling traffic for blocks and making it difficult for dozens of ambulances and fire brigades to reach the scene.

An Arab extremist organization, the Union for Arab Political Prisoners in the Middle East, claimed responsibility for the attack.

(Reuters, JTA)

## Peres backtracks on idea of tax on shares

By ROY ISACOWITZ  
 Post Political Reporter

TEL AVIV. - Prime Minister Peres yesterday quietly dropped the idea of a tax on stock exchange transactions, three days after he sent the market into a panic with a statement that the tax was under consideration.

Instead of imposing the exchange tax, Peres will try next week to persuade the Labour Party's Knesset caucus to accept the education levy and taxation of pensions stipulated in the 1986 draft budget.

Addressing a gathering of Labour Party veterans here, Peres said that "no one intends touching capital," before going on to attack the "hy-

teria" in the market. It was a very modest ending to a crisis that closed down the market for a day and saw prices plunge.

Peres's original statement that the tax was being considered was "practically a slip of the tongue," sources close to the prime minister said yesterday. The remark was made in the context of the vigorous debate in the government and the Knesset over the shape of the state budget for fiscal 1986.

The budget, as approved by the cabinet and passed in the first reading, is unacceptable to a large segment of "well-meaning" Labour

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## The price of pleasing

If you keep close track of what Prime Minister Peres says each day, you'll get the impression that he isn't moving towards elections this summer. He's racing towards them.

Every day, Peres appears before the voters, with the kind cooperation of the media. In the morning he speaks to pupils in the south; in the evening he addresses pensioners in the north. Peres talks to farmers; Peres talks to academics.

So it was reasonable to assume that, when Peres announced that he was considering taxing stock market transactions, the minor crash engineered by the broken would soon persuade him to reconsider. The wealthy investors and the panic they created, it seems, have more influence than the premier's Labour party comrades, who would naturally prefer taxing the exchange to taxing education.

Even if there were a chance of

**ANALYSIS**  
**SHLOMO MAOZ**

maintaining economic stability, one banker said yesterday, the politicians would spoil it. A high government official said there is really no government today in Israel - the country is being run by inertia. Senior economic figures say the rivalry between Peres and Finance Minister Yitzhak Moda'i is hurting the stability that cost so much to achieve. In fact, they say, the downhill slide has already begun, and will only gain momentum.

This week everyone had reason to be satisfied with Peres - his party colleagues for his willingness to con-

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## Bonn promises aid to Peres for Mideast 'Marshall Plan'

By BENNY MORRIS

West Germany has given Israel something approaching a commitment to contribute substantial funds to Prime Minister Peres's "Marshall Plan" for the Middle East, it has been learned. It is the first major Western industrial state to have done so.

A German statement of readiness to contribute was made by Chancellor Helmut Kohl during his meeting with Peres in Stockholm last weekend, where the two leaders attended the funeral of Sweden's assassinated prime minister Olof Palme.

Peres first proposed the plan during the visit to Jerusalem a fortnight ago of U.S. Assistant Secretary of State Richard Murphy. Murphy reportedly liked what he heard and

took the proposal back with him to Washington, where it is now being considered by top administration officials. The initial official American response is expected to be conveyed to Peres by U.S. Secretary of State George Shultz when the prime minister visits Washington at the beginning of April.

Japanese and Italian leaders who came to Stockholm also reportedly expressed "interest" in Peres's idea, which the Prime Minister's Office regards as a complement to the diplomatic process rather than as a substitute for it. The essence of the plan is that the seven major Western industrial giants finance joint Israeli-Arab and inter-Arab development projects which would give the countries in the region a vested interest in peace and cooperation.

## Hussein: Peace at dead end

CAIRO (Reuters). - Jordan's Middle East peace efforts have reached a dead end for the time being, King Hussein said yesterday after talks with Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak.

"We have had a very serious setback or reached a dead end, so to speak, for the time being," the king told reporters.

"It's a period for reflection for all those concerned in the area."

He was apparently referring to his rift with PLO leader Yasser Arafat

over PLO refusal to accept UN resolutions implying recognition of Israel.

Hussein and Mubarak, meeting for the first time since last October, had four hours of talks and were alone for 90 minutes.

Mubarak had pledged to try to bring the king and Arafat together again as negotiating partners. But the king, asked if the Egyptian leader succeeded in bringing them closer, said: "I don't think that this was the subject of our discussion."



This picture of Eti Tal-Or, right, was taken at the Trade Fair in Cairo - during a visit by Tourism Minister Avraham Sharir, left - only minutes before she was fatally shot on Wednesday. More pictures - P.2.

## Mubarak eases trade rules after shooting

By YITZHAK OKED  
 in Cairo  
 and MICHAEL YUDELMAN  
 in Tel Aviv

Egypt sought demonstratively to improve relations with Israel in the wake of Wednesday's attack at the Cairo Trade Fair that left one Israeli woman dead and three Israelis wounded by lifting restrictions on Israeli imports.

Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak, meeting with Israeli Tourism Minister Avraham Sharir, said that he was committed to improving bilateral relations and that Israeli goods would now be treated like those from any other country.

Meanwhile, Egyptian police reportedly published descriptions of

the four gunmen who shot dead Eti Tal-Or in the attack.

The Israelis were ambushed as they drove after sundown from the international trade fair where they had been working in the Israeli pavilion.

Tal-Or's body was due to be flown here last night on the plane bringing back Sharir and the delegation in Egypt for the Taba talks. She is to be buried today at the Beersheba cemetery.

The wounded, two male diplomats and the wife of a third diplomat, are out of danger and their condition was described as "satisfactory" by doctors at Sheba Hospital, where they were brought for treatment yesterday morning. (See picture, page 2)

Prime Minister Peres said-yester-

day in reaction to Wednesday's attack that "Israel's peace efforts will not be dictated by the actions of terrorists."

Israel must not forget that peace means "a very difficult struggle with the forces that reject peace," Peres told reporters in Tel Aviv. He pledged to continue the pursuit of peace "despite the efforts of those who would deny it."

After the attack Israel demanded stiffer security for its diplomats and visitors in Egypt. (See story, page 3) Cairo's told The Jerusalem Post yesterday that they were deeply offended by the attack and termed its perpetrators "crazy people." The Israeli pavilion at the trade fair received dozens of condolence calls from Egyptian businessmen.

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## Cairo public expresses sympathy with Israel

CAIRO. - Egyptian sympathies were clearly with the Israelis attacked by terrorists Wednesday night. In interviews yesterday with The Jerusalem Post Cairo residents consistently referred to the perpetrators as a fringe group, possibly influenced by foreign elements, namely Libya, who were trying to sabotage peace.

"This was a marginal group that does not represent Egyptian feelings. We want peace with Israel," said an Egyptian hostess at the trade fair's British pavilion. "These are crazy people who have no respect for

family or country," said a taxi driver. Occurring at the end of the two-week fair, during which Egyptians thronged to the Israeli pavilion, the attack seemed to Egyptians to be directed as much against themselves as against Israel.

Isaac Fiss, the Israeli manager of a Koor subsidiary operating in Egypt, was leaving the pavilion Wednesday night when the attack took place. "I heard about 30 shots close by. I saw the Israeli Embassy car with four wounded people inside. The driver was leaning over the steering wheel

The Post's Yitzhak Oked reports from Cairo

and his hand was bleeding," he recounted. "The person next to him was on the floor, also bleeding. The two women sitting behind were bleeding, too. Eti Tal-Or was unconscious."

"The Egyptian security men all around were momentarily in a state of shock. I asked if I could help the injured, and as I was speaking an ambulance arrived. There were no

medics in it, and I helped the orderlies transfer the wounded into the vehicle. On the way to the hospital, I bandaged the foot of one of the men with my belt, and the shoulder of one of the women with her own belt. At the hospital the four received excellent treatment. A large number of high-ranking Egyptian officials arrived at the hospital shortly after we did."

At the Israeli pavilion, which was opened for business as usual yesterday, people seemed sad, but also

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## Australia to restore Israelis' citizenship

By GREER FAY CASHMAN

Most Australian Israelis who lost their Australian citizenship by becoming citizens of Israel will have their citizenship restored, Australia's Minister for Immigration and Ethnic Affairs Chris Hurford said this week. Hurford introduced a bill in the Australian Parliament last month to amend the Australian Citizenship Act, which last week passed the House of Representatives. It now awaits approval.

The issue came to the attention of Australian officials following a two-part series in The Jerusalem Post last December about immigrants from Australia who could not become

Israelis if they wanted to retain their Australian nationality.

Under Australian law, anyone over the age of 18 who has become a citizen of a foreign country automatically ceases being an Australian. Although Australian governments have consistently refused to recognize Israel's Law of Return, consular officials stationed in Israel over the years gave Australians here misleading information. As a result, many acquired Israeli citizenship in the belief that their Australian status would not be at risk. Only when they later sought to have their passports renewed, did they discover they had lost Australian citizenship.

## Haifa businessman wants to import Romanian car

By SHLOMO MAOZ

The Transport Ministry has received a request from a Haifa businessman to import the Romanian Dacia automobile, which is based on the design of the Renault 12.

The ministry said yesterday that Efraim Ilin had asked to import three prototypes of the car for the authorities to examine before granting an import licence on a commercial basis.

A ministry spokesman said that if the licence is granted Ilin would be required to service not only Dacias, but also Deltas, another Romanian car, which is no longer sold in Israel. He would also need to offer repair

services and spare parts and to deposit a large bank guarantee.

Dacias, which have been available in Canada for several years - and will also soon be sold in the U.S. - were the subject of a story in Monday's Wall Street Journal. The paper quoted the American auto magazine Road & Track as calling it the "crudest, slowest, noisiest sedan in the assembled company," which included five other bargain imports. It quoted a Canadian consumer advocate as saying the Dacia's handling is "a little agricultural," and reported such problems as the windshield wipers starting up spontaneously.

The Renault 12, on which the car is modelled, is no longer produced by the French automaker.

## 'U.S. wants Israel to sell arms to Iraq'

By JERRY LEWIS

Jerusalem Post Correspondent LONDON. - The Reagan administration is quietly encouraging an Israeli-Iraqi arms deal, according to independent reports published in London.

The reports, based on Washington sources, have confirmed earlier statements that Iraq has requested or is about to request, arms and military advice from Israel.

It is suggested that the Reagan administration has encouraged such a deal for four reasons: growing concern that Iraq's government cannot resist long-term military pressure from Iran; fear that Iran, having

secured a foothold in Iraq, might turn its sights on Kuwait; recognition that Iraq appears to have dropped its overt support for Arab terrorism since Abu Nidal left Baghdad in 1983 (even though it maintains close ties with the PLO and allows PLO men to train in Iraqi camps); and intelligence reports that the Soviet Union is providing Khomeini's regime with arms and ammunition through North Korea and possibly through Czechoslovakia.

Iraq, according to the reports published in London, is interested in Israel's small, low-flying unmanned aircraft, which can beam television pictures of the battlefield to a ground

station. As Iraq's army has been mainly supplied with Soviet-made weapons, it is also thought possible that some of Israel's collection of Soviet weapons captured in the past could be sold to Iraq.

Reports published in London indicate that, while the Soviet Union remains Iraq's main supplier, not enough arms are now reaching the battlefield. As a result, relations between Moscow and Baghdad have become strained.

The sources added that Israel has now ceased supplying Iran with arms, at America's request. While

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Golan	69	8-15	16
Nabatieh	60	12-19	20
Safed	62	6-12	14
Haifa Port	61	10-16	19
Tiberias	48	10-22	23
Nazareth	48	10-22	23
Afula	52	7-20	21
Shomron	58	9-16	21
Tel Aviv	54	12-20	21
B-G Airport	53	10-19	21
Jericho	44	11-23	25
Gaza	62	11-19	20
Beer Sheva	44	6-20	22
Eilat	19	12-25	27

## SOCIAL & PERSONAL

The Greek ambassador to Israel, H.E. Emmanouel Ghikas, yesterday visited the Weizmann Institute of Science where he was received by its senior vice president, Prof. Shmuel Shaltiel, and also met with Prof. Ada Zamir and Mr. Shalhevet Freier.

## THE PRICE OF PLEASING

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sider taxing the exchange, and market investors for his decision to abandon the plan.

The Israeli capital market is a fragile thing. A crisis can develop more quickly and grow to greater proportions than in the days of former finance minister Yoram Aridor. The public today has virtually no safe avenues of investment. Bank shares, *patum* (dollar-linked shekel accounts), linked government bonds, and even the insane interest on shekel deposits that existed until recently are no longer alternatives.

If the stock market goes the same way, the only investment left will be greenbacks stuffed in mattresses. An increase in the price of black-market dollars is likely to force the government to devalue the shekel at the wrong time and against the real needs of the economy.

A devaluation is a sure formula for ending economic stability — the crowning achievement of the Peres government. So even though a tax on the exchange is perfectly justifiable, it seems the fust has died down for the moment. At least until next week's show. Stay tuned.

## HOME NEWS

# Survivor's testimony shows 'Ivan' was killed at Treblinka in 1943

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER  
HAIFA. — Additional testimony that "Ivan the Terrible" was killed by Jewish prisoners in an uprising in the Treblinka death camp in August, 1943, was shown to *The Jerusalem Post* yesterday.

The testimony was given, under oath, by a camp survivor, Elias Rosenberg, to the Jewish Historical Documentation Centre in Vienna on December 24, 1947. Rosenberg appeared before Tuvia Friedman, who ran the centre on behalf of the Hagana, and the evidence was witnessed by a Dr. Otto Schushny and Dr. Kurt Weigel.

Friedman has a signed copy of the testimony in his files at the documentation centre he now heads in Haifa.

Rosenberg's testimony, typewritten in German, covers five pages and deals with the crimes committed in the camp. The killing of "Ivan the Terrible" is mentioned only in passing.

John Demjanjuk, who is to stand

trial in Jerusalem on charges of mass murder at Treblinka, is alleged to have been the guard known as "Ivan the Terrible." He has denied that he was ever in Treblinka and says that he served in the Russian army until captured by the Germans and sent to a prisoner-of-war camp.

Demjanjuk's American lawyer Mark O'Connor arrived in Israel on Wednesday and met with his client for an hour yesterday. O'Connor says he has evidence that will prove Demjanjuk is not "Ivan the Terrible."

O'Connor is to meet today with Justice Ministry officials.

Testimony from another survivor of Treblinka who said that "Ivan the Terrible" was killed in the prisoners' uprising, surfaced on Wednesday in the Holocaust research centre at Bar-Ilan University. The testimony, by Abraham Goldfarb, who has since died, was given in the late 1960s.

In Rosenberg's statement to Friedman, he said that he was

brought to Treblinka from Warsaw in the summer of 1942. He spoke of the "bestiality" of Ivan, who was in charge of the gas chambers.

He was particularly cruel to women, even as they entered the chamber, and often raped the younger ones and stabbed others.

Describing the "killing of Ivan," Rosenberg said that "several persons broke into the barracks of the Ukrainian guards, where, among others, the Ukrainian Ivan was sleeping, and beat them to death with spades. The Ukrainians had been on night duty and were particularly tired, so they did not wake up in time."

Friedman sent Rosenberg's testimony to the prosecution for the trial in Dusseldorf in 1963 of eight Germans charged with crimes in Treblinka. Four of them — Kurt Franz, the deputy camp commander; Arthur Matthes, Wilhelm Miete and Willi Mentz — were given life sentences. The others got lighter sentences and have since been released.

## Under Shamir-Levy peace formula:

# 4-man leadership proposed for Herut

By SARAH HONIG  
TEL AVIV. — A new peace formula being evolved by the Shamir and Levy camps in Herut would create a new four-man leadership committee for the party. It would be chaired by Vice Premier Yitzhak Shamir, who would be accorded the status of party leader, and it would include his rival, David Levy, who would possibly be officially recognized as Shamir's deputy, as well as Ariel Sharon and Moshe Arens.

This is a counter-proposal to the one made by Sharon. The Shamir-Levy formula would mean far less power for Sharon.

The Levy camp yesterday boycotted the first Herut secretariat session

after last week's aborted convention. It is the Levy camp's contention that none of the party's forums are in power any longer, since the convention was supposed to elect new ones.

The Shamir-Levy formula, it was pointed out, is still in embryonic form and has not yet been discussed officially by any of the camps. It is expected that Shamir and Levy will soon meet again in an effort to close the deal.

Like the Sharon proposal, the new formula also would mean turning the party convention with its 2,000 delegates into the new central committee. The central committee chairmanship and secretariat chairmanship would be agreed upon in

advance by the sides, *The Jerusalem Post* was told.

Undaunted by the new development, which may squeeze him out, Sharon yesterday sent his proposal in writing to Shamir. His suggestion is that Shamir get the title of party chairman but that the post of executive chairman be separated from it and awarded either to himself or Levy. One of the two would then be appointed central committee chairman, with Arens possibly named as secretariat chairman. The Shamir side has already rejected this scheme, as it would turn Shamir into a figurehead and affect his ally Arens' chances of succeeding him as party leader.

## PERES BACKTRACKS

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Partly members.

Of particular concern to the Labour MKs are the proposals to introduce an education levy and to tax pensions above NIS 904 per couple.

The MKs, led by caucus whip Rafi Edri and including Haim Ramon and Nava Arad, have demanded that alternative measures — such as the exchange tax and a tax on luxury apartments — be introduced instead.

The draft budget is currently under discussion in the Knesset Finance Committee and will be brought to the plenum for its second and third readings next week.

Under pressure from Edri and the welfare-minded Labour members, Peres agreed to rethink the budget allocations and to consider the imposition of a levy on the stock exchange. But his statement to that effect earlier this week was immediately attacked by Finance Minister Yitzhak Moda'i, as well as by Labour's top economic team, Economics Minister Gad Ya'acobi, Deputy Finance Minister Adiel

Amorai and economic adviser Amnon Neubach.

Their argument against the levy was simple: it would scare away investors and sabotage Labour's plan to stimulate growth through the raising of private capital.

Dropping the exchange tax plan yesterday, Peres called on the caucus to drop its opposition to the education levy and other similar measures.

*Pinhas Landau adds:*  
Share prices reversed direction yesterday on the Tel Aviv Stock Exchange after Peres's statement and climbed sharply higher. Over 240 issues rose and only 48 fell — a complete turnaround from market direction on Wednesday.

The market's "V-turn," which saw it swing from slump to boom overnight, was seen by many brokers as an exaggerated and over-emotional reaction. Experienced traders pointed to the need for the market to "take a breathing space" of a few days' stability after the volatile swings it has been through in the last fortnight. (See Marketplace — page 17)

## MIDDLE EAST

### Arafat plans 'new page' in relations with Syria

ABU DHABI (Reuters). — PLO chairman Yasser Arafat was reported yesterday as saying that the PLO was ready to open a new page in its strained relations with Syria.

Arafat, meeting Gulf backers for the first time since King Hussein suspended a Jordan-PLO peace initiative last month, had talks yesterday with the president of the United Arab Emirates.

### Beirut fighting escalates; 7 killed

BEIRUT, (AP). — Christians and Muslims battled with tanks and mortars on three fronts in and around Beirut yesterday. Police said seven people were killed and 21 wounded.

### Ayatollah Khomeini said critically ill

JERUSALEM Post Correspondent LONDON. — Rumours circulating in Tehran suggest that Ayatollah Khomeini is "critically" ill, and almost all his relatives are expecting him to die shortly.

News of his illness was broadcast yesterday by the BBC, based on a report on the anti-Khomeini radio in Iran on March 18.

### Syrian FM arrives in Teheran

Syrian Foreign Minister Farouk al-Shara arrived in Teheran yesterday on a mission to strengthen what he said were the "already excellent" ties between the two countries. Radio Monte Carlo reported last night.

### Maccabi TA win first title play-off

By DON GOULD

TEL AVIV. — In the first of the three-game final play-off series for the National League title at Yad Eliahu last night, Maccabi Tel Aviv defeated Elitzur Netanya 104-97 (56-46).

The Maccabi victory was more lopsided than the final score suggests, and mid-way into the second half they built up a 22-point lead. Only the tenacity of the upstarts from Netanya kept the winning margin down.

### Hava Ya'ari pleads not guilty to Melavski murder

TEL AVIV (Itim). — Hava Ya'ari pleaded not guilty in the district court here yesterday to the murder of American tourist Mala Melavski in March 1985.

Ya'ari's lawyers, Edna Kaplan and Dror Makrin, specifically took issue with the indictment's description of their client's relationship with the victim and with Anita Granot, who is also accused of taking part in the killing.

Hanna Avnor, who heads the three-judge panel hearing the case, instructed Ya'ari's lawyers to recommend corrections of the facts in the indictment. The case resumes on June 2.

Ya'ari and Granot are accused of murdering Melavski on the Tel Aviv beachfront in a dispute over money. Granot pleaded not guilty to the charges earlier this month.

## CORRECTIONS

In the Small Claims Court report of February 28, concerning Dinarman v. Bank Tefahot, the bank was obligated to pay NIS 34.57, and not NIS 37, as reported. Further, the defendant was not ordered to pay NIS 3 for undue stress caused to the plaintiff, as reported.

The bank was ordered to pay NIS 50 in court costs.

Pianist Philip Lurie will play on Sunday at the Youth Concert at the Mann Auditorium in Tel Aviv. Lurie immigrated to Israel from England when he was four years old, and not as stated in yesterday's announcement of the concert.



David Tsoria (above), one of the victims of Wednesday's attack on Israelis in Cairo, after surgery at Tel Hashomer Hospital yesterday. Below, Tourism Minister Avraham Sharir meeting with Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak yesterday to discuss the incident.

(Brutmann, AFP)



## CAIRO PUBLIC

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hopeful about future relations between Israel and Egypt. The Israeli flag at the entrance to the pavilion was at half mast, and a large picture of Etti Tal-Or greeted visitors. None of the Egyptian workers at the pavilion was missing from work.

Around noon, the Israeli, Egyptian and U.S. delegations to the Taba talks arrived at the heavily-guarded pavilion. Foreign Ministry Director-General David Kimche told reporters that he had come to "continue our efforts to improve relations between our two countries" and that the talks had not been affected by the attack.

The Israeli pavilion was compara-

tively quiet yesterday because,

according to one Egyptian, Egyptians felt Israelis would prefer not to see them at the pavilion on their day of mourning. Before the shooting, some 40,000 Egyptians had visited the exhibit, which contains industrial and agricultural technology.

The pavilion manager, Yossi Peri, said millions of dollars worth of orders had been placed with Israeli firms during the fair. David Levy, Agrexco's representative in Egypt, said it has been one of Israel's best sales years at the Cairo Trade Fair, and that the easing of trade regulations announced by the Egyptians last week bodes well for Israeli exports.

### 14-year-old charged with family's murder

By BARBARA AMOUYAL

For *The Jerusalem Post*  
The 14-year-old Elin Karen boy accused of murdering his parents and two sisters last month with an army-issue rifle was formally charged yesterday in a Jerusalem District Court on four counts of premeditated murder.

According to the charge sheet, the youth is mentally fit to stand trial, understands the charges brought against him, and is capable of facing the consequences of his alleged actions.

### Most Soviet ships said moved from off coast

TEL AVIV. — The Soviet Union has,

withdrawn most of the vessels it had deployed off the Israeli coast during the past few weeks.

Only one ship is left in the area, which is believed to be monitoring Israeli communications, an Israeli source said. It has been a long-standing Soviet practice to maintain one vessel off the Israeli coast.

Following the Achille Lauro hijacking and Israel's interception of a Libyan aircraft, the Soviets increased the number of their ships off the coast to six.

## Arab power firm's chairman to turn to High Court over debt

By JOEL GREENBERG

Jerusalem District Electricity

company chairman Anwar Nusseibeh said yesterday he would apply to the High Court of Justice, and seek the opinion of an international jurist, on the dispute over his company's \$12 million debt to the Israel Electric Corporation.

Nusseibeh told a press conference

at the East Jerusalem company's offices that Israel had failed to meet its obligation under international law to support the JDC and enable it to make an adequate profit under the terms of its concession. He said Israeli authorities had obstructed company attempts to produce power with its own generators, forcing it to buy electricity at an inflated price from the IEC.

Israel is legally bound to support

the JDC in the same way as it

supports the IEC, Nusseibeh said. "We plan to seek the opinion of an international jurist of reputation on this point," he said.

Nusseibeh said he had not yet received an official Israeli offer to take over the company's supply of electricity to West Bank settlements and to Jewish neighbourhoods in

## In wake of Katamon car bombing Police rule out talk of gang war

By BARBARA AMOUYAL

For *The Jerusalem Post*

Jerusalem police said yesterday a car bombing in Jerusalem's Katamon neighbourhood, which killed 32-year-old Yossi Cohen Tzemach, is not likely to spark off a gang war.

Southern District Police Commander Rahamim Comfort told *The Jerusalem Post* yesterday that, despite the severity of the crime, he was confident that the Jerusalem underworld was under control and that Tzemach's allies wouldn't seek revenge.

"The gangs that exist today are a new generation with less violent tendencies. They are not organized enough for this unfortunate incident to break out into full-scale war," said Comfort.

Tzemach, a resident of Jerusalem's Nablata quarter, had been out for an evening of entertainment on Wednesday with three friends, before arriving at a Bar Yochai Street apartment sometime after midnight to play cards.

The four returned to their car, an orange Volvo, at around 4.40 yesterday morning. Rivka Afenjar, who was with the group, said Tzemach set off the bomb in his second attempt to get the car started.

Magen David Adom medics found Tzemach unconscious and trapped behind the steering wheel. All efforts to revive him proved futile. Two other passengers, Herzl Shabu and Haim Ben-Shitrit, received moderate wounds to the chest and head, and Afenjar was injured in her left eye. The three were taken to Hadassah Hospital Ein Kerem, where they were all said to be in stable condition.

Police said an electrically detonated device was planted under the car. They added that the job was well planned and professional.

Investigators said they believed more than one person was responsible for the bombing.

Tzemach had a criminal record. His brother, the owner of the Volvo, is serving a life sentence in Ramle Prison on murder charges.

## Disturbances at Majdal Shams after income-tax raid

By MENAHEM HOROWITZ

Jerusalem Post Reporter

MAJDAL SHAMS. — Disturbances broke out in this Golan Heights village yesterday, following an early morning raid by income-tax authorities on a fruit packing plant owned by a prominent local family.

Bailiffs appointed by the court to seize the assets of the plant arrived there with police and Border Police, and took away three large trucks filled with apples. The plants' owners are accused of refusing to submit reports to the income-tax authorities for the past six years.

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## Surprise in church at cool reaction here to papal gesture

By HAIM SHAPIRO  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The pope's visit next month to a Rome synagogue will symbolize "the unity of believers" throughout the world against the challenge of disbelief and materialism, a high Vatican diplomat stationed in Jerusalem told *The Jerusalem Post* yesterday.

Monsieur Richard Mathes, cultural attaché of the Apostolic Delegation in the Holy Land, described the visit - scheduled for April 13, between Easter and Passover - as one of "neighbourliness," very much like that of the pope to a Lutheran church near a Catholic parish in Rome which the pontiff visited about a year ago.

The possibility was first suggested over two years ago, Mathes said, following the attack on the Rome synagogue by terrorists. It was a possibility that could only have come about after Nostra Aetate, the papal edict of tolerance that followed Vatican II.

He did not conceal his surprise and disappointment that not only Ashkenazi Chief Rabbi Abraham Shapira, but also leading Jewish interfaith spokesmen in Israel, seemed unappreciative of the papal gesture.

Shapira said he saw "no place for a spiritual dialogue" between Judaism and Christianity.

Prof. David Flusser and other Jews active in interfaith affairs saw fit to mention the long history of Christian persecution of Jews.

Mathes saw persecution as a two-sided affair. "The first Christian martyrs were killed by the Jews," he recalled, "not the Romans." He tended to stress the historical and social causes of anti-Semitism in Europe.

But if such bitter enemies as France and Germany could become deep and lasting friends, so could the two faiths which both sprang from common roots. "Without the Judaism of the time of Jesus, our religion is unthinkable," he noted, adding that Judaism, too, has changed greatly since the Second Temple period.

All this was independent of the "political question," which included Vatican recognition of the state of Israel. The spiritual links are the important element in the papal visit, he said.

There is a growing recognition within the Catholic Church of its Jewish roots, he added.

It was, he said, like a family reconciliation, shared between brothers and sisters, each with their particular outlook. The aim of the dialogue, he added, was to become closer, but never to "become one another."

At the same time, he added, there is the ever-present concern for the future in a world that is threatened with disbelief, both that of the materialistic West and the totalitarian East. Standing against such materialism was the belief in human dignity.

"How long," he asked, "can the monotheistic religions continue to fight against one another, to sin against each other through negligence and misunderstanding? When we take account of our final goal, that we are responsible to our Creator, then we see the real enemies of religion."

**Marilyn Horne arrives here for performance**  
TEL AVIV (Itim). - Marilyn Horne, the international opera star, arrived in Israel yesterday to sing with the Israel Philharmonic on Saturday night.

Horne, who is a member of New York's Metropolitan Opera Company, will perform Verdi's *Requiem*, as well as works by Purcell, Handel, Schubert, Rossini and Bizet at Tel Aviv's Heichal Hatarbut.



Emmanuel and Noemi Shmuel at their wedding in Kiryat Gat. To Noemi's right is her brother Tony, two Ethiopian 'kesim' (religious leaders) and the rabbi, whose identity the couple preferred not to reveal.

(Dan Landau)

## How an Ethiopian got married without undergoing ritual immersion

By HAIM SHAPIRO  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Despite the regulations of the Chief Rabbinate that all Ethiopian Jews must undergo a symbolic conversion ceremony in order to be married, at least one couple proved recently that this was not necessary. But as they themselves admit, it wasn't easy.

Perhaps significantly, only one member of the couple is Ethiopian. Emmanuel Shmuel is an Ethiopian Jew who came to Israel two years ago; his wife Noemi is an immigrant from England who has been in Israel for about two-and-a-half years.

They were married about six weeks ago in Kiryat Gat in a ceremony in which both a rabbi and Ethiopian *kesim* (religious elders) participated. There was a conventional Jewish marriage ceremony in addition to elements of traditional Ethiopian Jewish ritual. The couple did not want to talk with reporters until now because they were afraid to do so before they had the marriage registration documents in their hands.

The two met about six months ago after Noemi, an anthropologist who has written an as-yet-unpublished book about various groups which have come to Israel, began working with the Ethiopians. But they did not make a definite decision to marry until after Noemi went to Ethiopia to meet Emmanuel's mother, sister and two brothers, who are still living in the Gondar region.

Their first contact with the rabbinate was in Kiryat Gat, where Emmanuel went with a group of Ethiopians who wanted to get married. After hearing that the Ethiopians had not undergone the ritual immersion which is part of the symbolic conversion ceremony, the clerk refused even to open files for them. When the Ethiopians refused to leave, the rabbinate officials called the police to throw them out.

Eventually, they contacted Jerusalem attorney Michael Corinelli, chairman of the International Council on behalf of Ethiopian Jewry and one of those involved in the campaign to recognize the Ethiopian community fully as Jews. He referred them to rabbis who

were sympathetic to the cause of the Ethiopians.

But it was still not easy, Noemi recalls. One day a rabbi would say yes, the next day, no.

Finally, they met the rabbi who eventually married them. Noemi and Emmanuel asked not to publish the rabbi's name, or even the city where he lives, for fear that publicity could keep him from helping other Ethiopians.

"You're Jewish," the rabbi told Emmanuel, "you don't have to immerse yourself." The rabbi took the word of Emmanuel's two witnesses - a *kes* and a man from his village - both regarding his Jewishness and his unmarried status.

As Noemi told the rabbi, she knows far less about Judaism than Emmanuel does. She hardly knows who her grandparents were, while he can trace his lineage for several generations.

But, she noted, she is far better equipped to deal with the bureaucracy than the average Ethiopian immigrant. Moreover, the entire procedure involved several visits to the rabbi in another city, some with the witnesses, all at the couple's expense. The bus fares alone would have been prohibitive for someone trying to get along on a new immigrant's stipend.

Once the rabbi agreed, the couple set the earliest date possible, fearing he would change his mind. On the fateful day, hundreds of visitors came to the Kiryat Gat absorption centre. Youngsters came from schools all over the country.

The rabbi was late, as rabbis tend to be. Emmanuel feared that he would not come. After all, only a few months before, a marriage had been called off at the very last moment, because the rabbi suddenly demanded that the groom undergo immersion.

Only when the rabbi appeared and the ceremony began was Emmanuel certain it would really happen. There were blessings in Hebrew and in Amharic, and an Ethiopian Jewish ceremony in which a red and white ribbon was passed over the groom's body, while a small boy sat between the couple, to ensure fertility.

## In wake of attack on Israelis Would-be tourists urged to delay visiting Egypt

By HIRSH GOODMAN  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The attack that killed Evi Tal-Or and injured three other Israelis in Cairo Wednesday night was the third assassination attempt against Israeli diplomats in Egypt since June 1984. A shadowy, apparently Islamic fundamentalist organization called the "Egyptian Revolution" has claimed responsibility for all three attacks, as well as for two sabotage attempts, one against the Israeli Embassy in Cairo and the other against the consulate in Alexandria.

Tal-Or is the second victim to die in these attacks. Last August, Albert Atrakchi, an embassy official, was gunned down as he was leaving his car in Cairo's Ma'adi quarter. A note found on his body identified him as a "Mossad agent killed by the Egyptian Revolution" and vowed that the group "would not rest until all Zionist spies are wiped from Egyptian soil."

Following the Atrakchi murder the Egyptian government issued instructions that Israeli diplomats and other Israelis living in Cairo be given 24-hour-a-day bodyguards both at home and at their places of work. The Egyptians urged that not all Israelis live in the same section of the city, and that measures be taken to remove any signs from vehicles that would identify them as Israeli.

Despite these measures, the Israeli community in Cairo - numbering several dozen, including diplomats, El Al staff and the staff of the Israel Academic Centre - have continued to move about the city with complete freedom.

Following the Ras Burka murders and the Achille Lauro hijacking, Israelis could be seen mingling in a crowd at the airport waiting for the El Al plane, in the market-places and taking public transportation.

The Israeli Embassy in Cairo, unlike the Israeli Consulate in New York, for example, flies the flag from its 20th-floor window. Officials in Cairo say there is no point in having an embassy in Egypt if the Israeli flag cannot be displayed.

The exact details of Wednesday's attacks are still hazy, but what is clear is that it is impossible to guarantee absolute protection to everyone all the time. That the Israeli pavilion at the trade fair would be a likely target of attack was taken into consideration by Egyptian security authorities, who must have assumed that they had all corners covered. A senior Israeli official told *The Jerusalem Post* yesterday that the fact that the attack was "contained" to an ambush outside the pavilion attested to the adequacy of security arrangements at the pavilion itself.

In light of the internal instability in Egypt - as evidenced by last month's police riots - and the current anti-Israel sentiment, security officials have urged potential tourists to Egypt to seriously reconsider their plans. These officials were careful not to recommend that tourism be stopped altogether. But they suggested "that caution and prudence" be applied. "If you don't have an urgent reason to go there at present, we suggest a postponement," one official said.

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## Baha'is celebrate their new year today

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER

HAIFA. - The estimated three million members of the Baha'i faith are celebrating their 143rd new year, "Now Ruz," today.

In Haifa, the Bahai World Centre, the staff, joined by pilgrims from around the world, will celebrate the day with prayers and readings from Baha'i scriptures in the Seat of the Universal House of Justice, followed by a prayer meeting in the golden-domed Shrine of the Bab. The celebration follows 19 days of sunrise-to-sunset fasting.

Plans for three new buildings at the Baha'i Mt. Carmel complex are now going through the licensing process. The three buildings, which will cost \$100 million, will comprise a centre for the study of the sacred texts, the international Baha'i library, and a centre for international counsellors.

## Fatah man from Gaza gets life term for murder

GAZA (Itim). - A 31-year-old Fatah member from Gaza was sentenced by the military court here yesterday to life imprisonment for the May 1983 murder of a man from Netivot.

Hafez Hiraiz shot and killed Menahem Diraz in the Gaza market, as Dadon was loading building materials onto his truck.

## Report of Shcharansky's ill-health 'exaggerated'

By MOSHE KOHN  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Anatoly Shcharansky's sleep continues to be disturbed by dreams about being in the punishment cells where he spent several hundred days during the nine years of his confinement in prison and labour camp, his wife Avital said yesterday.

She added, however, that a report about his health published this week was "a little exaggerated."

Avital said this during a five-minute appearance at an international conference in Jerusalem of Soviet Jewry activists representing the U.S. Union of Councils for Soviet Jewry, the British "The 35s"

women's group, and the Jerusalem-based Soviet Jewry Education and Information Centre.

She said that Anatoly still needed a great deal of rest, and that it was "difficult for him to face too many people after his nine years of being mostly alone, or sometimes with no more than two or three people."

He has "a small heart problem," and after they complete their current vacation he will have another check-up - the first, she noted, since the checkup he was given the morning after his arrival last month.

Meanwhile, she said, he was following the medical advice he received to walk a lot, to swim, and to

eat plenty of fruit and vegetables - "things rich in vitamins."

Avital said her husband had asked her especially to go to the meeting to express to the delegates, who represent some 55,000 members in the U.S. alone, his and her thanks "for your hard work during all these years for him and for the thousands of our brothers and sisters in the Soviet Union."

**Bernard Joseph adds:**  
Doreen Gaingford, one of the leaders of the campaign to free Shcharansky, said yesterday: "Those who knew [Anatoly] before he was arrested say he isn't a quarter of the man he was in Moscow."

## Reasons for the rumpus

An opposition member submitted a motion for the agenda calling for a re-examination of the rotation agreement in the wake of the Herut convention. The prime minister decided not to reply himself, but turned the job over to Energy Minister Moshe Shahal. And thus the die was cast for Wednesday's rumpus in the Knesset.

Shahal took the rare step of distributing advance copies of his reply to the press. Such copies are usually distributed just before the minister begins his delivery, or (no longer advance copies but still of value to the press) immediately after he finishes. This time the distribution was made a good hour before Shahal was scheduled to speak, and one copy got to the Likud.

Coalition chairman Haim Kaufman (Herut) says that it was this advance-advance distribution that infuriated the Likud - in addition, of course, to the speech itself, which he described, as "filled with incitement and malicious insult."

The early receipt of Shahal's intended speech gave the Likud chiefs a chance to telephone Premier Peres to protest against such debasement of a major coalition partner from the

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Knesset rostrum - and in the name of the government.

Shahal's text, for example, compared Yitzhak Shamir to a party who signs a contract and later turns out to be a bankrupt, in which case the law provides for nullification of the contract. When the time came for rotation, the Alignment would have to know the identity of the other party, Shahal's speech stated.

There are at least three (Likud) versions of what happened afterwards: First, that of Sara Doron, chairman of the Likud Knesset group: She asked Peres to cancel the Shahal speech and let Justice Minister Moshe Nissim reply. Peres refused.

Second, Kaufman's: Nissim called Peres, who promised him that another minister would reply instead of Shahal. But Shahal played dumb and said that Peres had not spoken to him.

Third, Pinhas Goldstein's (Liberals): Peres told Shahal to limit his reply to a single sentence, and Shahal ignored him.

It is of course conceivable (after all, this is politics) that Peres said one thing to the Likud people and another to Shahal. It is most unlikely that Shahal disobeyed orders, and Kaufman and Goldstein probably don't believe that themselves. They are like the diplomatic mother-in-law who, as the Yiddish saying goes, criticizes her daughter when she means her daughter-in-law.

Peres chose Shahal because he wanted the Likud to be given treatment that Shahal is supremely capable of giving: a brutal attack delivered in a tone of gentle mockery. This was not the first time that Shahal has imitated Mark Antony's "For Brutus is an honourable man."

Shahal opened his speech by quoting the saying, "He who has not witnessed one man's joy at another's calamity has not seen joy in his life." But this was the prelude to his Mark Antony refrain: "Believe me, in what I am saying now I take no joy in [Herut's] calamity."

Not mentioned by Shahal was the warning in Proverbs 17:5: "He that rejoices at [another's] calamity shall not go unpunished."

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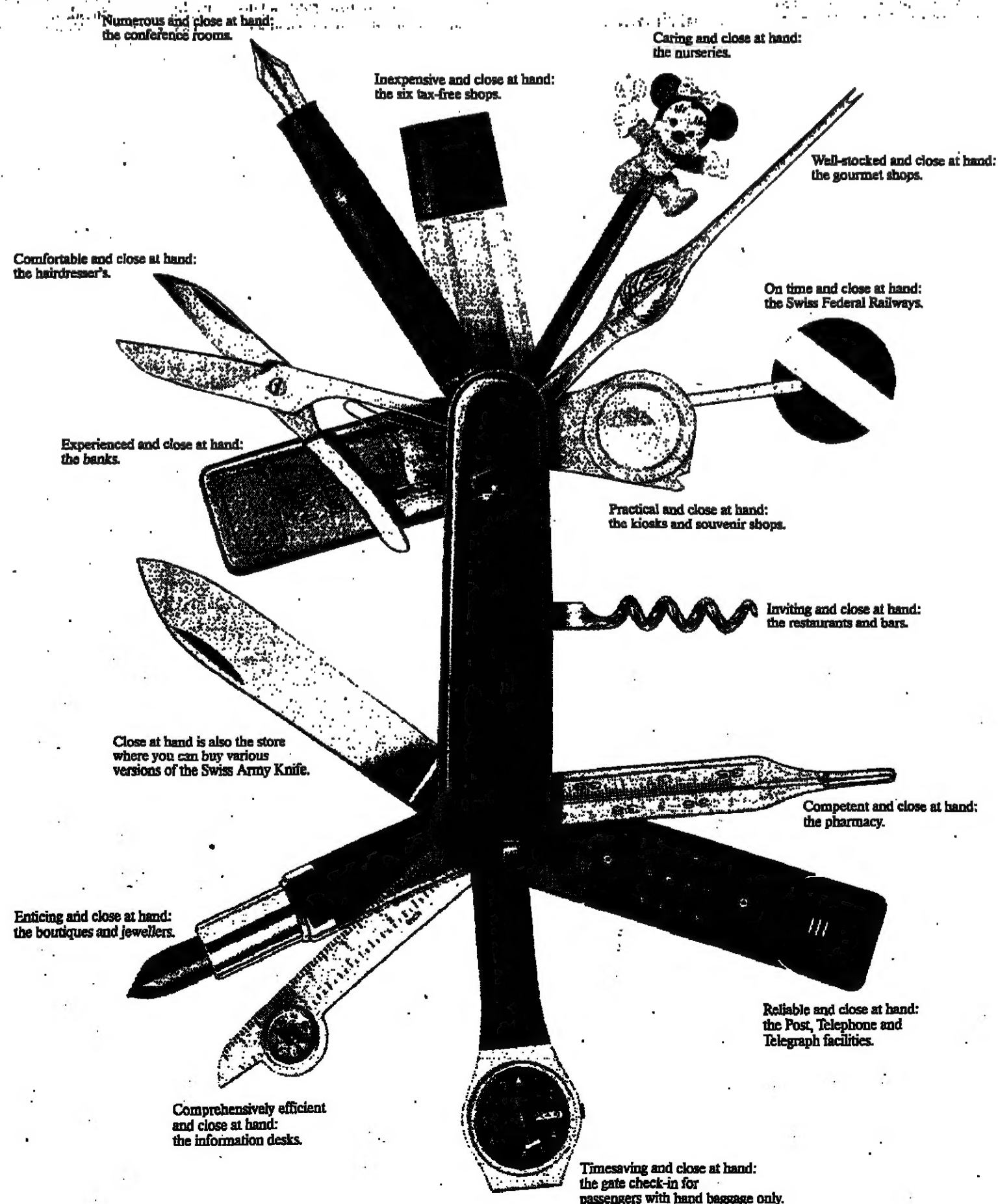
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## Aquino to declare 'revolutionary gov't'

MANILA. — President Corason Aquino will abolish the present parliament and declare a revolutionary government in the Philippines next week, presidential palace sources said yesterday.

In another development Panamanian government sources said yesterday Panama has decided to accept a request of deposed Philippine president Ferdinand Marcos and his wife, Imelda, for asylum.

One well-placed source said the government would probably announce acceptance of Marcos' request for refuge for "humanitarian reasons."

But observers here have noted that Marcos' wealth, more than humanitarian reasons, would probably give him a ticket into Panama.

"If he wants to come here, he's going to have to make some big

investments," a source to President Eric Arturo del Valle said in an interview Wednesday.

Sources in Manila said a proclamation would be issued on Monday or Tuesday and the government, known as "the new government of the Philippines," would be revolutionary in nature, democratic in essence and transitory in character.

A provisional constitution would be promulgated and elections would be called later for a two-chamber legislature. The set-up would last for a limited period of six or eight months by which time a new constitution should be ready.

The formation of revolutionary government will remove many hurdles from Aquino's path. Hundreds of officials, mayors and governors loyal to Marcos have refused to quit, saying they were protected by the

old constitution which still prevailed.

In Washington the House of Representatives foreign affairs subcommittee on Asian and Pacific affairs tentatively is planning to make public most of the 2,089 documents taken by Marcos to Hawaii last month after his 20-year reign.

"I want to make as much of this public as soon as possible," said representative Stephen Solarz, a Democrat and chairman of the panel.

One of the documents detailed contributions reportedly made to U.S. politicians, including \$50,000 each to the 1980 presidential campaigns of Ronald Reagan and Jimmy Carter, along with \$10,000 to the 1980 re-election campaign of Senator Alan Cranston, a Democrat from California. (Reuter, AP)

## 2 blacks stabbed to death, 3 set on fire in S. Africa

JOHANNESBURG. — Two blacks were stabbed to death and three set on fire overnight, police said yesterday. Arson and stone-throwing attacks also were reported.

Police did not say who committed the assaults on the blacks, but they bore the hallmarks of the factional fighting that has been a growing undercurrent of South Africa's anti-apartheid unrest.

The two black men were knifed and their bodies set on fire in the black township of Guguletu near Cape Town, a police report said.

At Motherwell, near Port Elizabeth in the Eastern Cape Province, three blacks were seriously injured when they were doused in gasoline and set on fire.

Police said that they shot and wounded, then arrested two black youths in Soweto, Johannesburg's main black district, when officers were stoned and firebombed by "large mobs."

A black policeman's home was set on fire in Barberton near the Swazi-

land border, and another home was damaged by stone-throwers, police said. They said the arsonists were dispersed with pistol fire and a youth was wounded and arrested.

In another incident in Duncanville on the south coast, a black was slightly injured by a mob, the report said.

While only a score of whites have died in unrest since 1984, many black policemen and municipal officials, considered collaborators with the white government, have been victims of violent street justice.

Meanwhile, Bishop Desmond Tutu said here yesterday he would call for economic sanctions against South Africa at the end of this month unless the white-led government made real moves to dismantle apartheid laws.

In an interview with Reuters, the Nobel Peace Prize-winning bishop said the lifting of a partial state of emergency two weeks ago was not enough to stop him calling for sanctions. (Reuter, AP)

## Ex-suspect in Palme slaying in hiding

STOCKHOLM (Reuter). — A 32-year-old Swede released three days after being charged with involvement in the murder of Prime Minister Olof Palme went into hiding yesterday under police protection, his family said.

Police on Wednesday dropped charges against Ake Lennart Viktor Gunnarsson after a confrontation with a key witness destroyed a vital link in the chain of evidence against the former security guard.

But police yesterday declined to comment on reports in two Swedish newspapers that they had blundered by showing a key eyewitness Gunnarsson's photograph before the man picked him out in an identity parade, thus invalidating the evidence.

The key police witness was an off-duty taxi driver who said he was stopped by an apparently panicked man near the scene of the crime 10 minutes after the murder.

Gunnarsson's lawyer said the man had offered to pay anything to get out of the area, but that the taxi driver had refused. "The witness yesterday expressed uncertainty as to whether the man was my client," the lawyer said.

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Katya is shown with some of the toys she is taking to the U.S. to give to friends she makes on her peace tour. (AFP telephoto)

## Katya, 11-year-old Soviet girl, starts peace tour of U.S.

MOSCOW (AP). — An 11-year-old Soviet girl embarked on a two-week U.S. peace tour yesterday, a trip reminiscent of Maine schoolgirl Samantha Smith's visit to the Soviet Union in 1983.

The official news agency Tass said Katya Lycheva, a fifth-grader at Special English School No. 4 in Moscow, will visit Chicago, New York, Washington, Houston and Los Angeles.

The diminutive, sandy-haired Katya was shown on the national television news programme Vremya, telling fellow classmates how she will explain Soviet life to Americans and sing peace songs for them.

"I shall tell them of the lessons we have, of the games we play, and I am sure to tell them that we want to live in peace and to be on friendly terms with them," Katya said.

She sang a popular Soviet peace verse, first in Russian and then in English:

"Let there always be sunshine. Let there always be blue sky. Let there always be mother. Let there always be me."

The visit is sponsored by a California-based group, "Children as Teachers of Peace." The group asked the Moscow Young Pioneers Palace to select a candidate, and Katya was chosen from among young peace activists of the International Friendship Club, the Novosti news agency said.

Tass said the group was asked to recommend a child involved in anti-war activities and no older than Samantha Smith, who was 11 when she toured the Soviet Union.

Samantha, 11, was invited to Moscow in 1983 after she wrote a letter to then-Soviet leader Yuri Andropov. She died in a plane crash last August, and Soviet media have since reported numerous memorials for her.

Katya will be accompanied by her mother, Marina, a Soviet peace committee representative and a translator.

## FOREIGN NEWS IN BRIEF

## British lawyers take government to court over fees

LONDON (Reuter). — British lawyers made legal history yesterday by taking the government to court in a dispute over fees for state-funded legal work.

The Bar Council, representing 5,200 barristers, accuses the government of disregarding the law by not negotiating with them before setting pay levels for legal aid advocacy.

Solicitors, who make up the majority of British lawyers, are to take the Lord Chancellor, Lord Hailsham, to court on April 8.

Lawyers say the two-pronged attack on Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher's government from Britain's generally conservative legal profession is the first of its kind in a legal history going back at least 700 years.

Japan unveils up, down, sideways plane  
GIFU, Japan (Reuter). — Japan's Defence Agency yesterday showed off its experimental CCV (Control Configured Vehicle) plane, which is capable of moving upwards, downwards and from side to side without changing the direction of its nose.

The plane, remodelled from a domestically-made T-2 two-seater jet trainer, made its first demonstration flight successfully at a base here, Defence Agency officials said.

Unlike conventional aircraft, which must point up or down in order to climb or descend, the CCV plane keeps its nose horizontal.

Ugandan civil war 'nearly over'  
ENTEBBE, Uganda (Reuter). — The Uganda government yesterday forecast the imminent end of the civil war as neighbouring leaders met on the shore of Lake Victoria to assure President Yoweri Museveni of their support.

The leaders from seven countries held their "solidarity summit" at a colonial mansion beside the lake at Entebbe because the capital Kampala is in disrepair after five years of devastation and upheaval from the fighting.

## SPORTS

## Capital derby doldrums

By YARON KENAN  
Tomorrow is derby day in Jerusalem and all the rest is commentary. At least it should be.

Normally, the enticing prospect of a vigorous match-up in the capital would overshadow all other considerations, but not for years has there been such a pallid prelude to a derby game.

Hapoel couldn't be more in the doldrums if they had sought to make it their objective to create abject misery for their fans. They haven't won in the league for eight rounds, and not even the slender 1-1 victory over a fourth division club in the State Cup last week will have lifted the gloom. They have a host of talented players in their ranks but their main problem is an inability to score goals. Since beating Maccabi Haifa and losing to Hapoel Petah Tikva back in January in successive games, they have scored just twice in seven outings.

The Cupholders, moreover, should have Eli Ohana back in attack alongside their youthful Yaron Cohen, who bagged a brace last weekend.

Uri Mahmilim, however, has been feeding off of news during the week, which might give the dwindling Hapoel contingent of fans some hope. But more tangibly, Hapoel will start without Meir Nulman — a central pivot in their defence. He is out after drawing a handful of yellow cards and that could be a principal factor in the Reds' inability to hold back the Be'er avalanche.

Yet there is nothing better suited to drumming up a great performance than a challenge.

SCHEDULE: Kick off Saturday at 3 p.m. unless otherwise indicated. Scores in brackets are from the first round with the second round team having the first goal scored in the first round.

Shimshon v Hap. Beersheva — Netanya (0-1) (1-1)  
Macc. Sha'arayim v Macc. Haifa — Rehovot (0-0) (1-1)  
Macc. Kfar Sava v Hap. Petah Tikva — Kfar Sava (1-1)  
Be'er Jerusalem v Hap. Jerusalem — YMCA (2-0)  
Macc. Petah Tikva v Macc. Yavne — Petah Tikva (0-1)  
Hap. Haifa v Macc. Tel Aviv — Kiryat Elimezer (1-1)  
Macc. Jaffa v Hap. Tel Aviv — Geon Stadium (1-3)

## Tame end to Juventus' reign

LONDON (Reuter). — Juventus' reign as European Cup soccer holders, which began in such tragic circumstances in Brussels last May, came to a disappointing end in Turin on Wednesday night.

A 70,000 crowd in the Stadio Comunale — banned from watching Juventus' home ties in the first two rounds because of the Heysel Stadium tragedy — saw Spanish champions Barcelona emerge with a 1-1 draw to qualify for the semi-finals on a 2-1 aggregate.

Barcelona will be joined in today's draw in Geneva by Anderlecht of Belgium, Roma's Steau Bucharest and Gothenburg of Sweden.

West Germany's Bayer Uerdingen staged one of the most remarkable comebacks in European football history in the Cup Winners' Cup when they scored six second-half goals against East German visitors Dynamo Dresden.

Dynamo, 2-0 first leg winners, led 3-1 at halftime and must have been contemplating a semi-final appearance when Bayer unleashed their six-goal avalanche to emerge 7-5 aggregate winners.

EUROPEAN CUP  
Konyaspor (Turkey) 0 Steau Bucharest (Romania) 1, Steau won 1-0 on aggregate.  
Anderlecht (Belgium) 0 Steau Bucharest (Romania) 1, Steau won 1-0 on aggregate.  
Anderlecht (Belgium) 2 Bayern Munich (West Germany) 0, Bayern won 2-0 on aggregate.  
Barcelona (Spain) 1 Borussia Dortmund (Germany) 1, Borussia won 2-1 on aggregate.  
CUP WINNERS' CUP  
Bayer Uerdingen (West Germany) 5 Dynamo Dresden (East Germany) 1, Bayer Uerdingen won 5-1 on aggregate.  
Aston Villa (England) 1 Real Saragossa (Spain) 1, Aston Villa won 2-1 on aggregate.  
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Wales' international striker Mark Hughes scored his first goal for two months to lead Manchester United to a 2-0 win over Luton and back into the race for the English First Division soccer championship.

Hughes, the subject of transfer speculation linking him with Barcelona, was dropped by manager Ron Atkinson last Saturday, but responded in the perfect manner on Wednesday night. He shot United ahead after 17 minutes when he ran on to a through pass from Norman Whiteside to score with ease.

Third-placed United, who moved within four points of leaders Everton, scored again after 76 minutes when Paul McGrath blasted home a powerful shot from 20 metres.

Victory was not without its cost, however, as United lost McGrath's defensive partner Kevin Moran with a broken arm after only 18 minutes.

Windies crush England  
BRIDGETOWN (Reuter). — The West Indies crushed England with a 135-run victory in the third one-day cricket international here, taking an unbeatable 2-1 lead in the four-match limited-over series.

The Windies, sent in to bat, raced to 249 for seven off 46 overs.

England, needing to score at 5.43 runs an over, lost wickets steadily and were dismissed for a paltry 114 in 39 overs.

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# Iraq: A threat on the horizon

When the Gulf War ends Iraq will emerge as a menacing force, writes Hirsh Goodman



FOR SIX years, Iraq and Iran have been locked in destructive conflict. The human cost has been estimated at around one million lives. The economic costs are incalculable. As of February this year, Iraq had lost 1,700 tanks, 350 aircraft and helicopters, and about 1,000 armoured personnel carriers. The Iranian losses were some 1,500 tanks, 800 armoured personnel carriers and 300 aircraft and helicopters.

From almost every analytical viewpoint, the war seems far from ending. Iran has consistently turned down Iraqi peace approaches, and though the Iranians are running out of hardware and money, they have ample reserves of both men and ideology that together give them the wherewithal to protract the war for as long as they choose.

That protraction is to Israel's strategic benefit is a truism. But that it will ultimately end is just as true and there is no question among analysts here that despite the tremendous cost in personnel and materiel paid by the Iraqis over the past six years, the Iraqi army that will come out of the war will be far superior both quantitatively and qualitatively to the army that went into it.

WHEN ISRAEL'S strategic planners consider the future, they see Iraq as an integral part of the hostile constellation of forces that Israel could have to face on the eastern front. The Iraqis participated actively in every war against Israel to date (other than the 1956 Sinai Campaign, when Baghdad sent only a brigade to Amman instead of the division the Jordanians requested), and it is assumed here that once the Gulf War has ended, Iraq's potential will again be found on the negative side of the balance of power.

However, one cannot begin to compare present Iraqi military capabilities with those of 1973. In addition to having grown from six divisions with 1,100 tanks in 1973 to around 40 divisions with some 5,000 tanks of vastly improved quality, the Iraqi army is today, after six years of continuous warfare, an army that knows its weaknesses and has done much to correct them.

It is also a fighting force that instead of having to rely exclusively

on second-line Soviet equipment, now has in its arsenal some of the most sophisticated weapons the West has to offer. Since 1980, when the war with Iran started, Iraq has purchased missile boats and electronic equipment from Italy; armoured vehicles, artillery, Mirage F-1 fighters, attack helicopters, missiles and electronics from France; armoured vehicles, artillery rockets and possibly new tanks from Brazil; tanks, aircraft, missiles and rockets from the Soviet Union.

It has also acquired virtually every

other conceivable conventional weapon from a long list of suppliers that includes South Africa (from which it purchased 100 155mm howitzers), Austria, the U.S., Argentina, Belgium, Britain, West Germany, East Germany, Greece, Egypt, China, Spain, Portugal, Chile and even Switzerland.

IRAQ'S spectacular military growth has not helped to contain the Iraqis, whose military inferiority has been negated to some extent by the natural advantages afforded by the

length and topographical nature of the 1,200 kilometre front.

The mountains in the north and the swamplands of the south have dictated a primarily infantry war, and here the Iraqis enjoy parity, both sides having about one million men under arms, including militia units.

Given Iraq's population of 50 million as opposed to Iraq's 14 million, however, the Iraqis have an absolute advantage in manpower for as long as the war remains an infantry one.

In order to further reduce the Iraqis' advantage in materiel, the Iraqis have fought the war on as broad a front as possible, from the Shatt al-Arab at the mouth of the Gulf in the south to the Kirkuk oil fields in the north.

As a result, the Iraqis have developed - again with potentially serious strategic consequences for Israel - the ability to move huge forces over long distances in an extremely short time.

To do this they have invested in

some 2,000 motorized tank carriers (as opposed to 200 in 1973, when the Iraqis sent two armoured divisions with 500 tanks and several infantry brigades to the Golan), and have developed an impressive logistic capability in keeping units both on the move and well supplied.

There is no question that, should another war break out between Israel and its neighbours to the east, Iraq is a force that is going to have to be reckoned with in the most fundamental way.

Nine of its divisions are currently mechanized, the remainder are all mobile. It has developed six brigades of specialized commando units that enjoy high mobility and are equipped with Eastern and Western anti-tank missiles. Its helicopter force numbers 430, including 160 attack helicopters. Its air force comprises 600 front-line aircraft, 450 of which are MiG 25s, Mirage F-1s and Sukhoi 207s. It has 3,500 artillery pieces and a massive range of ground-to-ground rockets.

Iraq's quantitative growth in forces has been matched by increased sophistication and destructive power, as well as a dramatically improved ability to protect these forces electronically.

If the Iraqi forces, or elements of them, are again included in the strategic equation against Israel in the context of a war with Syria, (even though, given the present constellation of alliances in the region, this seems unlikely in the near future), President Hafez Assad's threats take on a different tone.

THERE ARE several other aspects of the Iraq-Iran war that Israeli analysts have had to concern themselves with. Among them is Iraq's willingness to use gas as a weapon - this despite the moral implications, the legal restraints and the cost to its own forces if the wind happens to blow in the wrong direction.

Experts estimate that at least 6,000 Iraqis have been victims of Iraqi gas attacks to date, and reports indicate that the Iraqis are stepping up their efforts to "perfect" their gas warfare capabilities, especially their ability to deliver the poison efficiently. (That Israel is concerned about gas warfare is no secret. In an official photograph issued to the media two

months ago during the IDF's massive military exercise, troops were shown detoxicating themselves after an "attack" from the air).

The Merkava tank is officially said to have the ability to sustain its crew safely through a gas attack, but the prospect of facing gas is a frightening one for the IDF, given that Israel's rarest asset is manpower and that the Iraqis obviously have no compunction about using the weapon.

There is no knowing how long the Gulf War will last. With oil down to \$10 a barrel, Ayatollah Khomeini is nearing the end of his ability to finance the conflict, and is expected to try to initiate a major final offensive to bring Iraq to its knees, probably in the shape of a strike against the Kirkuk oilfields. Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, both because of military spending and the huge drop in oil revenues, is on the verge of financial ruin.

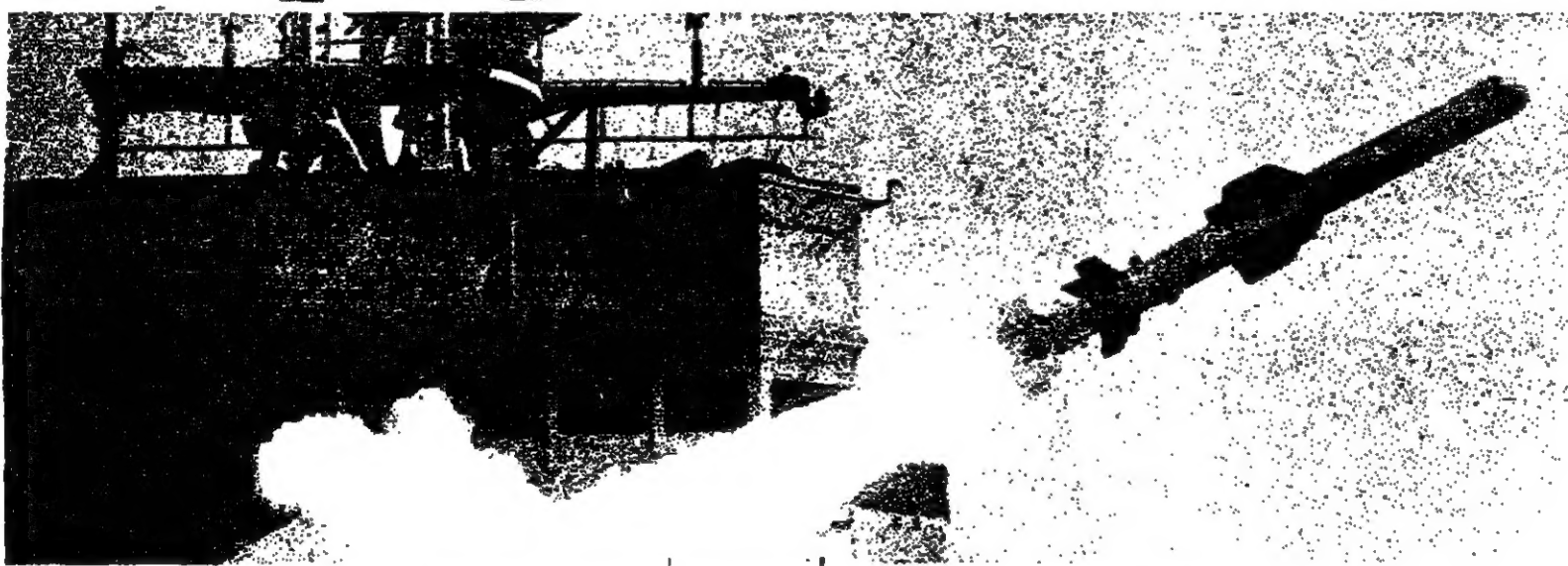
The war could end with the death of the Ayatollah, now in his mid-80s, if his successor has neither the authority nor the will to subject Iran to the punishment of continued battle.

Even when the war ends, it could take years for Iraq to recover to the point where it can even begin to consider participating in a war against Israel. Syrian-Iraq relations, given Syria's consistent support for Iran over the past six years, could take years to repair, making an alliance between them highly unlikely.

But given the recent history of the Middle East, with 25 fundamental coalition changes between the Arab states over the past two decades alone, with friends becoming enemies overnight and vice versa Iraqi-Iranian-Syrian enmity is not something that can be counted on forever.

Long after the smoke of the current conflict has cleared, the weapons, and the potential for delivering them to this arena will remain. What is not known is when the finger will be applied to the trigger, or whose finger it will be. What is certain, however, is that when Israel's military planners sit down to project what the balance of power will be in 10 years' time, Iraq's 40 divisions have to be taken into account.

## Keeping cool over arms



A Harpoon anti-ship missile, part of the arms package the Saudis are hoping to buy from Washington.

ONCE AGAIN, the matter of a new U.S. arms sale to Saudi Arabia has surfaced in Washington, causing some serious ripples in American-Israeli relations. At the centre of the action on Capitol Hill is the American Israel Public Affairs Committee (AIPAC), the major pro-Israeli lobbying organization in the U.S. capital.

In recent days, serious allegations have been hurled against AIPAC for supposedly being even more opposed than the Israeli government have been to the proposed \$350 million sale of advanced Sidewinder air-to-air, Stinger surface-to-air and Harpoon anti-ship missiles. AIPAC's critics have charged that the group's "knee-jerk" opposition to all U.S. arms sales to Arab states could actually wind up undermining American-Israeli relations.

It is clear, for example, that the Israeli government does not want to enter into another bruising confrontation like that of 1981 over the AWACS F-15 deal with what it sees as basically a very friendly administration.

The Israeli government, as seen from Washington, is simply going through the motions of opposing this new sale. Thus, an Israeli Embassy spokesman routinely pointed out that Israel opposes all arms sales to countries still in a state of war against Israel. There is no serious behind-the-scenes lobbying under way.

Prime Minister Shimon Peres, Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir, Defence Minister Yitzhak Rabin and other ministers in the national unity coalition government are extremely reluctant to upset the currently very strong state of relations with Washington. Maintaining those

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relations is more important to Israel than preventing the Saudis from obtaining some more missiles.

The missile sale, after all, does not pose any immediate military threat to Israel. The Reagan administration has already dramatically scaled back the package. Last year, there was talk of including in the deal an upgraded offensive version of the

F-15 fighter, extra bomb racks for those planes, M-1 battle tanks, armoured personnel carriers, Blackhawk attack helicopters and other equipment. But given the widespread concern in Congress, all of those elements have been put on hold - as has the entire \$1.9 billion dollar proposed weapons sale to Jordan.

Thus, to a certain degree, Israel, AIPAC and its friends in Congress have already won the major share of this battle. What remains of the Saudi package is relatively modest. And since none of it will be delivered until 1989, at the earliest, it poses no serious military threat to Israel. Saudi Arabia, after all, already has thousands of Sidewinders, Stingers and Harpoons in its inventory.

Secretary of State George Shultz has repeatedly told Congressional committees that the U.S. would be simply adding to that existing stock - not providing anything new. No new technology is being provided.

THE ADMINISTRATION is pushing ahead with this sale now largely out of political motivation - to shore up its standing in the Arab world after the Jordanian arms debacle and to send a political signal to Iran that the U.S. stands with Saudi Arabia in the Persian Gulf conflict. To further reassure the Saudis and other pro-Western Gulf states, Vice President George Bush is planning a 10-day tour of the region early next month. The Americans have been truly alarmed by the latest Iranian

offensive against Iraq. But the missiles in the Saudi arms package will have no military impact on that battlefield, since delivery is still so far down the road.

U.S. arms manufacturers, moreover, believe that they will stand to lose many billions of dollars in future Saudi sales if this deal is killed. The major weapons-makers have already been upset by Saudi Arabia's most recent contracts with British, French and other firms. America certainly wants to recycle those Saudi petrodollars. The Saudis are still cash customers, despite the recent drop in oil prices.

Jordan, on the other hand, was hoping to obtain U.S. financing of its

sale. But in the Washington today of wholesale Gramm-Rudman budget cutting, that would not have been so simple.

Despite its tough public posture, AIPAC, backed by the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations, also wants to avoid a full-scale debate and roll-call on the Saudi sale. AIPAC lobbyists are actively pushing for some sort of face-saving compromise which might, for example, remove the Stingers from the package, or simply allow them to be stored in West Germany until they are actually needed by the Saudis.

Like the Israeli government, AIPAC recognizes that the sale is not really worth straining relations with the administration even if it can't say so in public. In fact, Tom Dine, AIPAC's executive director, personally made this clear to Secretary of State Shultz when they met on February 28. They agreed to work closely together to try to resolve the problem quietly.

But Dine is deliberately cautious in his public statements. "As an American organization, we are trying to shape American foreign policy that is in the best interests of our country," he told me in an interview. "Arms sales have to be looked at not only as military weapons but as political symbols which are sometimes of significant interest to our government."

THUS, there are many influential members of Congress who are actually way out in front of AIPAC in fighting it. This is especially the case with several leading Democratic senators and representatives who are automatically anxious to snipe away against the Republican White House.

Democratic Senator Alan Cran-

ston of California, who is up for re-election this year, has made it clear that he would oppose even "bows and arrows" to the Saudis, given their overall record in recent years. Other Democrats and even some Republicans agree that the Saudi regime has been seriously lacking in demonstrating genuine support for the Arab-Israeli peace, which the Reagan administration promised would be the case when it pushed through the AWACS sale, and some of them are even hinting at the notion of trying to "pull the plug" on this summer's scheduled delivery of the first instalment of the 1981 deal.

The administration, however, has insisted that it will certify Saudi Arabia's support for the peace process, as required under last year's foreign aid law. In order to make sure that those AWACS are delivered on schedule.

Formal notification of the Saudi arms sale is scheduled for April 8. Congress will then have 30 days to pass, by a simple majority, resolutions of disapproval. That probably will not be very difficult. But President Reagan can then veto that legislation, requiring a two-thirds Congressional override. That means that 67 senators will be required to block the sale - a very large number in face of what would inevitably be a big personal push from the White House. And given the Jordanian arms setback, the President badly needs to push this sale through - and he probably will.

It is clearly not in Israel's best interest to go to the wall on this issue, especially when there are so many other more urgent problems facing the country. The Israeli government appreciates this; so does AIPAC and the organized American Jewish community.

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As the echoes of the stormy Herut convention fade and Labour and the National Religious Party prepare

THE CRUDE slanging-match between rival camps that paralysed the Herut conference last week has done the party tremendous harm. Herut was always regarded as being less intellectual, less enlightened than the factions of the centre and the left.

It is now exposed as a gang of roughnecks. Two thousand delegates were unable to get any business done. Their leaders insulted each other and quarrelled before the television cameras during the four days of the convention. Are these the politicians who are supposed to run the country?

Dr. Israel Katz, head of the Israel Centre for Social Policy Studies, cautions against hasty conclusions. Politics are rough in all parties, not only Herut: the difference is in style.

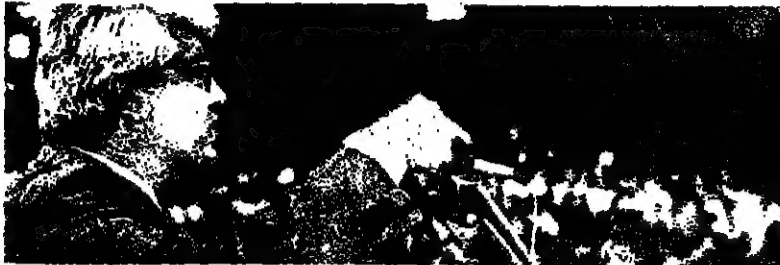
"We are used to treat public meetings as if they were a vicar's tea-party, with the accent on protocol, propriety, good manners. The old generation in this country brought its culture with it, created the state and still hold power."

"The new generation is not European, it is Israeli and wants to make its voice heard. It rebels not only against the Europeans, but against Europeanism."

"Democracy to the old-timers is the rule of the majority but other things too." It is legality, moderation, the spirit of compromise, the obligation to hear both sides, the readiness to share power.

When a new force shows up on the scene, that force is apt to be revolutionary and to discard refinements. "The oppositionists behind Levy believe in democracy," Katz stresses, "but democracy for them is the fight

## A matter of style



David Levy in action at the Herut convention (Andre Bruttman)

DAVID KRIVINE

for votes and that is all. If you win the votes, the seats of power are yours."

Levy felt cheated of his rights. According to his reckoning he had the votes but was not given the leadership.

DID HE have the votes?

"I don't know the ins and outs of the electoral systems used," Katz says. The two sides had different opinions on the choice of candidates but the issue could have been argued out. The oppositionists, however, had no appetite for the backroom bargaining familiar to experienced politicians. They wanted to bulldoze their representative into office.

"Their anger comes from a sense of deprivation. Levy's backers include have-nots, notably that section of the Sephardi people who live in the poorer townships and development areas."

But, I point out, the Sephardim have come to the forefront lately. They now hold the highest offices in the land; that is one of the successes of Begin's administration.

"I agree, the door has been pushed open. When people have a taste of power, they want more of it. After the door is open comes the rush to get in."

Did Levy want to make the conference a roughhouse? "I don't think so. He was carried

away by feelings of resentment and lost his cool." Levy's tempestuous behaviour was, in Katz's view, a deviation from his normal conduct—a crass mistake in fact.

Was he swept away by the popular tidal wave?

"Tidal waves are destructive and he does not want to destroy. His ambitions are greater than that. It is easy to gather together people with a grudge, to unite all those who are against the system and want to pull it down. The Democratic Movement for Change [Katz's former party] was a coalition of that kind." (The concluding phrase—"and look where it got us"—he leaves unsaid.)

"The Likud contains a lot of people whose main bond is opposition to Labour and the Histadrut; but the party has got beyond that now. David Levy does not want to make a career out of attacking governments, he wants to be the government. That means he needs a lot of people on his side—people in all the camps, people outside his own faction. He has to build up a wide hinterland of power."

Could not his aggressive stand at the conference have been deliberate? Might he not have a new vision of his leadership role?

Katz thinks not; he is convinced it was a *faux pas* because Levy has no interest in dividing the party. He needs the party, all of it. Herut does not enjoy the kind of predominance on the national stage that would permit the luxury of picking and choosing within its own membership. Levy cannot afford to antagonize potential followers.

Nor can his rivals for that matter. The whole kitty is at stake. Both the Levy camp and the Shamir camp will

want to close ranks, mend their fences, restore a semblance of unity. They must stop their violent rows before these rows destroy the party. Therefore Katz expects a process of conciliation.

IS THE general public likely to overlook the primitive behaviour shown at the conference, the shouting, the insults, the exchange of blows, the incapacity to make decisions?

It was shocking for onlookers, Katz admits. He has spoken subsequently to simple people of the kind who might be thought to support Herut, and they have expressed their horror at what went on.

But he warns against looking at the conference's emotional display as something tremendously sinister. The conflict between power-groups was not tougher than disputes breaking out in other parties, like Labour. What is new and disturbing is the style, the rhetoric.

"We critics are used to a more controlled method of political debate and expect that tradition to continue. Social integration in our view is the acceptance by the new population of the old population's way of doing things. But the new population is not that docile. Integration is not a polite drawing-room affair. It is a painful process of adjustment."

"Integration does not mean that one culture supersedes the other, that one side has its way and the other submits. There are two dominant cultures in Israel, we must come to terms with that."

The rowdiness at the conference was many things, among them perhaps a shout to be heard, a protest against the Western monopoly.

"If it shocks," says Katz, "that is a good thing. It jolts us out of our complacency and makes us think. We have something to be settled. That is what the integration of which we are so proud is all about."

Have these dramatic events shaken the balance of forces in Israeli politics? Has Levy spoiled his chances of getting to the top?

Dr. Katz advises the anti-Likud sector not to cheer too soon. He was himself a Cabinet minister in Begin's time and sat in the government side by side with Levy, Sharon and other ringleaders in the present political fight.

"Levy is a consummate politician," Katz points out. "He took a liberal stand in the past. He often supported my social policies. [Katz was Labour Minister.] Ezer Weizman once called him the only socialist in the administration. Levy alone spoke up against handing over the Sabra and Shatila refugee camps to the Lebanese Phalange."

BUT HIS liberalism is not deep-rooted. Katz: "He is a man who functions through his senses. He has political intuitions and he is mostly right; however, he doesn't look at problems in all their complexity. His inclination is to concentrate on the political aspect."

"He opposed Sharon in the cabinet"—that same Sharon with whom he is now allied—"but not only on objective grounds. He sensed a swing of opinion against the ex-general, he sensed also that Begin was drifting away from Sharon. He played his cards accordingly."

"Make no mistake, Levy is not a phoney, he is a skilled tactician.

Despite the conference mishap, you can't write him off. Nor can you write Herut off, in my opinion."

Will Levy become party leader in due course? "To achieve that he must either have enthusiastic support in all quarters of the party, or he must negotiate alliances. Under present circumstances he will have to negotiate alliances. He cannot rely on a few hundred noisy demonstrators at the conference."

Talking of alliances. Herut has contracted to merge with the Liberals. If Shamir tried to ban the votes of 41 Druse and Beduin party members at the conference because he feared they would support Levy, what chance is there that Levy will allow the Liberals, most of whom presumably support Shamir, to grab one-third of the voting power in the new united party?

Katz smiles, considers the question naive. "What makes you think," he asks slyly, "that Yitzhak Moda'i may not cobble together a coalition with David Levy? In politics anything is possible."

How will the country react to the Herut fiasco when elections come round?

"In the short term, Herut is weakened, that goes without saying. People who dislike Labour may decide that after all Labour is the lesser of two evils."

"But not everybody abhors unruly behaviour; apart from which, with the passage of time, people forget. Political difference can be quietly patched up."

So Herut has not damaged its relations with the electorate?

Katz: "It has, but I am not sure how permanent the damage is."

THIS IS certainly the year of long-overdue party conventions.

Opening the season was the rough and tumble Herut offering, which came nearly seven years after the 1979 convention. Next on the political calendar, Labour will be staging its convention, the first since 1980, a fact which will probably not live on the proceedings any.

But the production which has been in the making longer than any other is the one currently being worked on at the National Religious Party theatre. The NRP convention will be only 15 years overdue, if it gets under way this June, as now scheduled.

The Herut show, with a sequel still in the works, was in the best tradi-

## Cleaning up

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tion of Hollywood's no-holds-barred, knock-em-down and shoot-'em-up blockbusters. The Labour show is not expected to produce anywhere near the same suspense and excitement and will probably have most of the audience stifling their yawns.

But what the NRP is getting ready could, if staged at all and if present

indications are anything to go by, be classified as a farcical epic, with overtones of the supernatural and with more than traces of the theatre of the absurd thrown in for good measure.

This is billed as a landmark convention for the NRP, which is quite natural considering how long the party has managed to get by without a convention. But there is more to it. After being whittled down to a small four-man Knesset contingent (the party boasted a 12-MK faction in 1977), the NRP has been shaken into the realization that it needs to be rehabilitated. This, then, will be the much-touted rehabilitation convention.

To bring new blood into the old tired party, and to regain some lost blood, the party reform committee, headed by Yitzhak Yaeger, prescribed a large-scale membership poll. This was supposed to be the first such poll not organized and run by the notorious party machine, which has earned itself a reputation of not keeping things too strictly kosher.

So to keep the party machine out, the Yaeger committee hired the services of a large private firm and spent considerable sums on calling the old party faithful back to their political home through giant newspaper ads. The NRP is rife with rumours about just how much was spent on public relations for the ambitious membership poll.

The party reformers were successful in at least one aspect. The party machine, headed and supervised by Raphael Ben-Natan, was not allowed to have any say in the poll.

But in all other aspects the poll was a colossal flop. It lasted three whole months, but less than a third of the 70,000 people estimated to have cast their ballots for the NRP in the 1984 Knesset elections bothered to register. Not too many people it appeared, had much faith in the ability of the party to rise above itself and turn over a new leaf, making it more attractive. The poll's organizers had hoped that 100,000 potential voters would register as party members and be accorded the right to take part in the upcoming internal party elections for convention delegates.

But by the time the poll was concluded, at the end of January, only some 20,000 people had bothered to rally to the NRP's flag. That certainly did not auger well for the party's future—reformed or otherwise.

BUT THERE is no NRP cloud with-

out a silver lining. Rather than give up, the Yaeger committee decided to extend the poll's deadline by another month and this time entrust it to capable and tried political hands. The party functionaries and their much reviled and maligned machine were called to action. They could be relied upon to produce the results that had eluded others. After all, they are consummate professionals.

The party functionaries were indeed every bit as efficient as their reputation. They not only delivered the goods—they proved to be veritable miracle workers.

Whereas three months of massive advertising produced only 20,000 members, one month of good old-fashioned, politicking brought no fewer than another 100,000 people knocking at the NRP's gates, eager to register and partake in the party's democracy.

Never in the annals of Israeli politics has any one party managed so stupendous an achievement as the NRP miracle workers did in the short month of February.

In fact, parties which are considerably larger and more powerful than the NRP, and which had elected many times more MKs, cannot boast as many registered rank and file members as the NRP has been able to for the past few weeks. The NRP now enjoys the unique status of a party with apparently more members than voters.

The official line in the NRP is not that this is a miracle in which the

Almighty had intervened on behalf of his flock of faithful followers. Rather, say the party's official spokesmen, this is just the expected result of lots of good, hard work. As they have it, the moves to rehabilitate and reunite the national-religious camp has so impressed the party's target public, that it could not contain itself from rushing to be registered during the extra month allotted for the poll. The NRP's "lost sons," who had wandered off to seek ideological and political fulfilment in such parties as Matzad (a component of Morasha), Tehiya, Tami and even Likud and Labour, are now making their way back home, it is asserted. The rehabilitation, of which the poll is only the first step, is supposed to so impress the lost sons that they will eventually vote for the NRP—the old party with the new clean face.

But those who do not toe the official party line tell other tales. They start off by recalling why it was that the party machine was at first barred from having anything to do with the poll. It was, after all, this very machine which the Yaeger committee had accused of being responsible for the NRP's downfall. It was feared that once the party functionaries were put in charge of the poll, they would indeed produce results, but not without some rigging and unethical methodology.

Now, some sources in the NRP charge, the old party hands have shown what they can do. It is claimed, for example, that there are not a few fictional lists of newly-registered members. In some cases the polling campaigners saw nothing wrong with making their pitch in ultra-orthodox yeshivot, some of them altogether anti-Zionist and certainly not akin to anything the NRP once stood for politically. The national-religious zeal must have been ignited among these yeshiva students, because many of them are reputed to have responded to the last-minute call and register as NRP members. There are even whispers in the party about financial inducements to the yeshivot in question.

It is not clear if these new members will take part in the party elections or whether they can really be considered as representing the true balance of forces in the party. Some in the party indeed fear that the newly-found NRP enthusiasts will distort the internal balance in favour of the party machine which organized the poll.

If that happens, the upshot of the NRP miracle will be to show that there is nothing new under the sun, something which should make the projected party convention a lively affair in the best tradition of the old and very familiar NRP.

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for their own conferences, four Jerusalem Post correspondents consider the party political landscape.

TEMPERS were high in Holon last week when the Labour Party held its internal elections for branch councils and the forthcoming party convention. On the sidewalk outside the local party headquarters, a small group of disenchanted activists brandished a candidate list with the official green stamp of the polling booth in the top corner.

The protesters were members of the Renewal Group, a collection of party members opposed to the local Labour establishment. The list, on which the names of establishment candidates were neatly circled, they submitted as proof of the establishment's underhand tactics. The local party apparatus, they charged, was presenting voters with already-marked lists, stamping them and popping them into the ballot box; all the voter had to do was cross off his name in the register.

In Holon's underprivileged ged Jesse Cohen neighbourhood, local party boss Abaron Nassi walked up to an elderly couple intently studying a candidates list. "What are you looking for," he asked. "Your name," they replied.

"You see," Nassi said, turning to the inquisitive reporter, "they all want to vote for me. We are simply helping them go through the hun-

## Grassroots

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dreds of names on the list." The "we" Nassi referred to was a group of helpers busily marking the names of Nassi and his associates on the lists — providing a social service, as he put it.

The polling station in Jesse Cohen was at 14 Sanhedriya Street, registered in the voters' roll as Nassi's home address. Those manning the tables were clearly Nassi supporters. All vehemently denied that the pre-marked list with the green stamp could have originated in Jesse Cohen.

They displayed the same fervour when singing Nassi's praises. Almost single-handedly, they said, he had galvanized the community and produced a landslide for Labour in the last Knesset elections.

ACROSS TOWN in Givatayim, voting was proceeding smoothly. Smiling old-timers greeted voters at the door of Beit Mandelblat, the local

Labour headquarters, and directed them to the ballot boxes upstairs. Sitting in a side office, branch secretary Yossi Arbel said that he expected a voter turnout of about 50 per cent. The list of candidates was carefully balanced, he said, and the branch was united. There was no controversy to draw the crowds.

Givatayim is one of the party's most solid and active branches. It is the home of three Knesset members and one member of the Histadrut central committee. It was here late last year that Meir Kahane was first shouted down by the Israeli public.

Givatayim is a microcosm of the party as a whole. Like practically every other party branch, it was the scene of bitter contests between the Peres and Rabin camps in 1977 and 1981. But the old passions have waned, and today Givatayim presents a united, youthful face to the world.

Holon is a different case

altogether — more like the Labour Party of old. The oppositionist Renewal Group is a reincarnation of the old Rabin camp, supplemented by some new additions, while the establishment, headed by branch secretary Motti Sasson, is identified with Peres and party secretary-general Uzi Baram. Both groups lay claim to the mantle of democracy and accuse the other of violating it.

In Holon, the rivalry was local and personal, despite the vestiges of camp allegiances. It involved two groups bidding for power on the branch level and had few overtones of a national contest. For the time being, at least, Shimon Peres is the party's uncontested leader and Yitzhak Rabin his faithful lieutenant.

Holon was exceptional in that it was practically the only branch in which local rivalries reached the proportions of charges of fraud and threats of legal action. For the rest, the rival groups either reached pre-election agreements, as happened in Beersheba and Ashdod, or matched forces without undue acrimony.

THE NATURE of Israel's proportional democracy system focuses public attention on the goings-on at the top. The media concentrate almost exclusively on the Knesset and the government, leaving local

party politics to the practitioners. But for thousands of people at the grassroots, branch activity is the closest they are going to get to political involvement, and for the aspiring politician, the branch is the unavoidable stepping stone to national politics.

The branches operate out of the public eye, yet they form the backbone of the political parties. The overwhelming majority of the delegates at Labour's national convention next month will be branch representatives and their power is theoretically absolute. The branches elect the central committee and the central committee elects the party's representatives in the Knesset and the Histadrut.

Every once in a while, an anonymous branch member bursts into the limelight. The most recent to do so was Gaston Malka, the Herutnik from Petah Tikva, who rushed the stage at last week's Herut convention to express his disapproval of the proceedings.

The Labour convention is likely to be a lot quieter and party officials expect their rank and file to be a lot better behaved than Malka and his colleagues. But, as in Herut, it will be the branch members setting the

tone, whether as tools of manipulative party leaders or as the definers of party policy.

After the convention, the delegates will return to their branches — to council meetings, ideological discussions and the occasional sitting of a national committee. For the most part, it's drudgery and the most necessary quality is patience. The Renewal Group in Holon did not have patience, and for that reason, it lost. Political establishments cannot be overthrown in a day.

SOME 133,000 new members joined the Labour Party during the recent census, thus gaining the right to vote and be elected. Those under 30 can find their place in the students organization or the Young Guard, both of which are national as well as local structures. The rest will have to begin their political life in branch activities.

A member with support in his branch can get himself elected as a delegate to the convention, which is held every four years. This year, only 3,001 of Labour's almost 300,000 members will make it to the convention. Holon, with 7,000 members will send 72 delegates; Givatayim's 5,000 members will have 42 representatives.

After the convention, the next

step is the central committee, the party's highest decision-making body between conventions. The next central committee, which will be elected at a special session of the convention on May 8, will number 1,200 members, the bulk of them branch representatives.

Most party members never get further than the central committee. For the ambitious, it takes several years of hard campaigning in the central committee to be recognized as a candidate for higher office, either in the Histadrut or, preferably, the Knesset. By the time a member achieves Knesset status, he has moved far beyond his branch origins, though solid branch support, particularly in one of the main cities, remains the best guarantee of success.

However, one does not need to achieve a national profile in order to have influence. For those satisfied with lesser positions of power, there are always municipal and labour council positions up for grabs. Those are the positions that are immediately at stake on the branch level.

After all, even politicians have to earn a living, and Israeli politics, like those of many countries, are wide open for the small and middle-level power barons.

ALL OF a sudden they became acceptable to one another. No more mafia, no more band of criminals, no more forgery and fabrication, no more megalomania.

David Levy's hand shakes no more when voting to approve of the rotation. And Yitzhak Shamir finds out that in spite of what happened during and after the Herut convention — or perhaps because of it — he does not need arbitration services in order to start direct, unconditional negotiations with his opponent. With regard to party politics as well, Shamir prefers conciliation to arbitration, especially if the arbitrator is none other than Ariel Sharon, whose fee would probably be too high.

Thus the two gentlemen sat down together, trying to find the way out of what appears to be a blind alley, to which they had led their party.

It does not mean that Herut's war of succession is suddenly over. By refraining from accusing each other of delinquent behaviour they can, at the most, clear the air; but not yet reach a decision. None of them has already said "no more war," and it is doubtful that either will. During the current cease-fire, the struggle continues behind the curtain and it is foreseeable that once the cease-fire

## Cease-fire

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is over, the struggle will be fought in the open again.

Meanwhile, they negotiate, because each of them has good reasons to come to terms with the other. It is obvious to Shamir, whose chances to come back to the prime minister's office depend a lot on the ability of the party to function. Another demonstration of political dysfunctioning — not to mention violent acts and coarse language — could mark the end of the national unity coalition.

Shamir knows that unless an internal agreement on the rules of the game is achieved, a continued struggle for power may leave the party itself powerless. First of all, he needed a cease-fire, the keeping of which is a necessary condition for further success. Secondly, he needed either a procedural agreement on the rules of the game or a material agreement on the composition of the party's new institutions. With regard to both options, the costs of Sharon's

arbitration were too high. Being a sober politician, he overcame his psychological inhibitions and invited David Levy to a mutual breaking of the ice.

This mission was accomplished on a chilly night at the Foreign Ministry in Jerusalem. Levy has had his own good reasons for trying to come to terms with Shamir. He knows what it means to endanger the prospects of the rotation or the premiership. It might mean the end of Shamir's political career, but Levy would not be the one who gains from it. He would be accused of being disloyal to the party's interests and would bear personal responsibility for the loss of the premiership. His short-run ally, Sharon, would appear as the one, the only one, who really tried to save the party. In the longer run, the bitter disappointment of the party's activists at the failure to carry out the rotation would serve Sharon's interests at Levy's expense.

THIS IS a new element, one of the indirect results of the events during last week's convention. The unseen permanent match between Sharon and Levy has its own implications on

the political behaviour of both of them. It pushed Sharon to appear as the only one who can save the party from self-destruction. On the other hand, it has led Levy to look for a way out of the corner; and when Shamir proposed a meeting, he was happy to say yes.

With his eyes looking towards the future, Levy has even better reasons to come to terms with Shamir. For Levy, the real theatre of operations is not the 1986 convention, but the 1988 central committee; then and there it will be decided who will lead the party to the next elections. His real fight is still ahead, while Shamir's is taking place here and now.

The lack of symmetry between the expectations of the two helps them find some mutual understanding. For the price of improving his chances towards 1988, Levy may be more forthcoming towards Shamir in 1986. An agreement on that basis was feasible before the convention, and is still an option now. Meanwhile, Levy saw that unless he reaches an agreement with Shamir, Sharon will reinforce his power in the new central committee, thus leaving him far behind in the race.

WHEN THE name of the game is power, such a reason is paramount. Nevertheless, there is another one. As strange as it sounds, Shamir and Levy need each other in order to get out of the trouble they caused each other. Only if they agree on the rules of the game, and later on the con-

position of the party's institutions, can they overcome the difficulties inside the party itself as well as in public opinion.

Such agreements might be interpreted as proving that everything they said about each other during the convention should not be taken literally. It was only at a time of great excitement, and when tempers cooled, they gave legitimacy back to each other. Of course, such an explanation does not necessarily reveal the real feelings of Shamir and Levy about each other; nevertheless it serves the interests of both of them as well as the common interest of the party and its members.

This is a mode of instrumental politics, which differs from the expressive politics as seen in Ganei Hata'arucha last week. It needs a sober, clever approach towards life in general and politics in particular, including a postponement of the desired gratification, especially from Levy's side. It is not that easy. But psychologically, it was quite difficult for Shamir to call the meeting with his opponent after calling him all those names. On the other hand, both leaders have a lot to gain from overcoming their real feelings. If their ambitions are made of the strong stuff they appear to be, they will control themselves. It will be done at the expense of their allies, Arens and Sharon. But do they really care?

SOME OBSERVERS say they do not. Some even add that this may

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## PEOPLE



David Ben-Gurion flanked by waiters at Club Med's Achziv opening in 1960. (Reproduction: Andre Brutmann)

# Kibbutz de luxe

Mark Segal, in holiday mood, talks to the founder of 'Club Med'

GILBERT TRIGANO is the business genius who revolutionized the tourism trade and made a fortune out of other people's vacations. As president of Club Méditerranée, he has done more to enhance the image of France than all its diplomats and propagandists. He was decades ahead of the tourism industry in discerning changing trends, recognizing the yuppie phenomenon years before the term was invented.

So it hardly came as a surprise to him that in the recent *Forbes* magazine analysis of the yuppies and the trends they have set, it was noted that when they go on vacation, they invariably choose the Club Med. The shortened, snappy name was part of the campaign launched in 1980 by Trigano's son and heir, Serge, the organization's general manager, to capture a chunk of the multi-million dollar U.S. travel industry.

In my years of vacationing at the club's holiday villages, I have learned that part of Trigano's success is in cleaving to the French credo that one can have both good food and good plumbing — something which the English used to claim could never go together. This certainly holds for the club's latest holiday village — 176th in number — the Coral Beach in Eilat. Its inaugura-

tion brought Trigano senior and junior and their wives to Israel, along with many of their top executives and a plenitude of key officials of Havas, the leading French travel organization.

MANY LIGHT years separate the Club's mention in *Forbes* from its modest start in 1950 with five employees in the first informal, outdoor vacation centre. Today's globe-encircling giant of 176 holiday villages in 42 countries has a total staff of about 20,000 at the service of some nine million club members. They have 95,000 beds at their disposal in the Club's two categories: Polynesian-style straw huts (as in Achziv) and hotel rooms (as in Eilat's Coral Beach). Trigano has stewarded his organization to its huge financial success from a turnover of NIS500,000 in 1955 to NIS1 billion in 1985. No wonder the Club's shares are so attractive on the Paris Bourse, as well as on the New York Stock Exchange, where the U.S. daughter company was registered in 1984.

Trigano's parents immigrated to France from Algeria, where the family had lived since the expulsion from Spain in 1492. During the German occupation, the family took refuge in the south of France. Like

so many young French Jews, Gilbert who at 24 already had behind him an acting career, joined the resistance, becoming a commander in the Arrière region. After the war, he joined the staff of the Communist daily *L'Humanité* as a reporter and drama critic. His adherence to the Communist Party lasted 18 months, during which he organized the party's first "Festival of Youth" in Paris (by now an annual tradition).

Having joined the party largely because of anti-fascist sentiments, its Stalinism soon proved intolerable. He joined his family factory management, and among their customers was an enterprising Belgian Jew, Gerard Blitz, who opened the first two small holiday villages in 1950 in the Balearics and Cefalu. Trigano went into partnership with Blitz in 1954, but by 1963 Blitz slipped out of an active role, leaving Trigano to become president and general manager. Trigano gives full credit to Blitz's imaginative initiative and explains it was Blitz's wife, Claudine, who had the idea of the straw hut village, because of her fondness for Tahiti. "It's fabulous for summer holidays, with natural air-conditioning," Trigano remarks.

FROM THE start, the Trigano organization sought out above average

and adventurous youngsters to work in its far-flung empire. They have to be sufficiently worldly to mingle on equal terms with vacationers and versatile enough to fill a variety of roles, from floor cleaning to serving at table. From running varied sports activities to producing and playing in the remarkably broad range of Club entertainment programmes for which it is so famous. The staff are called G.O. (*gentil organisateur*) and guests are called G.M. (*gentil membre*). The staff's motto is: "At your service, but never your servant." That is part of the relaxed, classless ambience that people from stratified European societies find so appealing: no tips and no privileges, offering a kind of de luxe kibbutz where everyone does as they wish.

Trigano says he aims to serve "the young in spirit" of all ages, and talks of offering two standard types of vacation — straw huts and hotels. The former mainly for younger members, the latter for those seeking greater comfort. The Club's first permanent village-hotel opened in 1965 in Agadir, Morocco. Three years later the organization moved into the American market, opening a resort at Guadeloupe in the French Antilles. In 1973 it spread to Japan and by 1979 the Club's sarong was being worn in places as far apart as Brazil and New Caledonia. Trigano's son, Serge, moved to the U.S. to launch the organization's offensive on the U.S. market in 1980, the year the first village was opened on American soil at Copper Mountain.

IN CORPORATIVE terms, there is the European company and the U.S. subsidiary, embracing the organization's activities in the Americas, the Pacific and the Indian Ocean. In Europe, about 30 per cent of its shares are controlled by a number of financial combines, about 70 per cent are publicly owned and some 2 per cent are held by its permanent employees. The U.S. staff owns 3 per cent of its shares, the European company 33 per cent and the rest by the American public. Trigano presides over a board comprising leading French, German and Italian insurance and banking executives, along with Baron Edmond de Rothschild and Ghazi Pharaon, president of the Saudi Research and Development Corporation.

As the organization became ramified, Trigano opened a training school for staff at the Pompadour village near Limoges, where they study during off-season months.

To gain an idea of the quantities of food involved in running such a holiday organization and the mind-boggling logistics, according to the Club Med's 1983-84 report it provided under 20 million meals, involving the supply of 1,055 tons of bread, 15m. croissants, 768 tons of cheese, 6,486 tons of fruit, 3,420 tons of meat, 21.7m. eggs and 3.6m. litres of wine.

TRIGANO FIRST came to do busi-

ness in Israel in 1960 thanks to the late Noah Moses, publisher of *Yedioth Aharonot*. He decided to open the first holiday village in Israel at Achziv at the home of Noah and Paula Moses, with whom he became fast friends. Paula Moses speaks of Trigano's warm heart and how he takes care of his friends, while veteran staff members speak of his paternalistic approach to his employees, whom he has always treated as his extended family.

However, as he enters his 65th year, some of his executives are anxiously pondering the future, wondering whether their company's very growth will make its employees' personal relations with the management much more formal and that much less rewarding than they have been accustomed to under the fatherly rule of Gilbert Trigano.

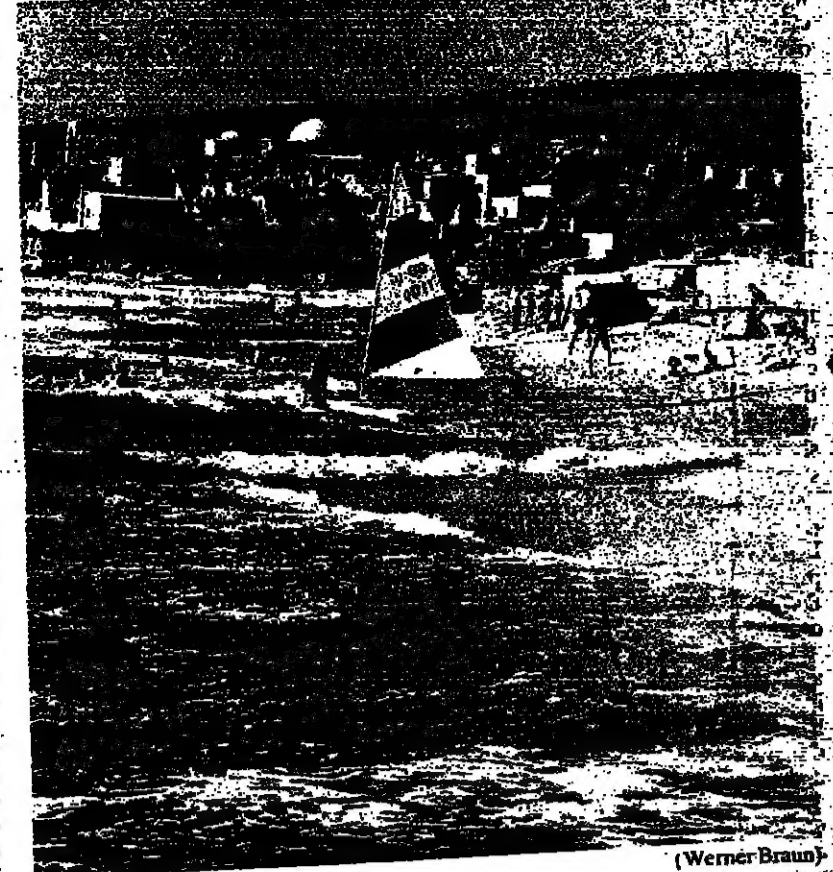
When Achziv opened in 1960, it was the in-place for Israelis seeking a special place to go on holiday. Its beach remains certainly one of the finest on the Western Galilee coast. But for those of us no longer in our youth, the idea of living in huts without air conditioning in the summer heat makes it much less appealing than in those years when creature comforts did not matter so much. It was a fun-place, with first-class French cuisine to boot. Its prime attraction was that it was like going abroad without paying travel tax.

The same certainly applies to Coral Beach, which Serge Trigano transformed at the cost of \$1 million from the old Laromagne Hotel, adding cavernous kitchens ruled over by chef Pascal Mocquin, who has spent 14 out of his 35 years in charge of Club Med kitchens. He brought over an interior designer from Paris to accord the place an arabesque look, with an art deco tiled foyer and a series of arches spanning the public area. Many like the Club's ban on money, portable radios, telephones in the rooms and newspapers, because this ensures better relaxation.

During the inauguration of the Coral Beach, one sated guest sighed: "It's awful, this decision-making. Having to decide what to eat from first thing in the morning." The plentitude and range of food offered by chef Mocquin is simply staggering, not to mention the free supply of good Israeli wine at lunch and supper.

Children are also welcome and there is a mini-club on the premises with special facilities for them, not to forget the computer games room. The sports-minded G.M. has a wide range of activities free-of-charge, such as sailing, snorkelling among the coral reefs (reached by a special bridge), archery, tennis and all other sports for the energetic. The above is included in the price of \$75 a week.

Mark Segal's Public Faces column does not appear this week as he is on holiday.



The beach at Achziv.

day for adults (\$55 per child), while a week-end costs \$240 per adult (\$180 per child) exclusive of the fare (a 20 per cent reduction is available on the Arkia special flight from Tel Aviv's Sde Dov Airport.) Of course, you can also drive there.

Comparing the price for French tourists at other Club Med villages around the Mediterranean basin shows the following: one week at Coral Beach, including the flight

from Paris, comes to NF6,500. The same holiday in Morocco costs NF5,500; in Greece NF6,600 and in Turkey, NF6,150.

Jovial Gilbert Trigano is bubbling over with plans — the next move is almost sure to be into China and a far-off target is a Club Med village on the moon. "I'll start taking reservations when I'm sure the scheme will materialize," he says with a chuckle.

ADVERTISING SECTION

## Purim snap shots

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## Old enemy

SIR JOHN GLUBB, who died in England at the beginning of this week, just a month before his 89th birthday, was the British commander of Jordan's Arab Legion and better known to the world as Glubb Pasha.

Glubb was a familiar figure in Palestine during the days of the British mandate, which included Transjordan, but Israelis know of him chiefly because of the part played by his troops in the War of Independence — the attack on Gush Etzion, the capture of the Jewish Quarter of the Old City of Jerusalem and the savage shelling of Jewish Jerusalem throughout the war.

John Bagot Glubb was the son of an army officer and followed in his father's footsteps by training for the Corps of Engineers at Woolwich

military academy. In World War I he fought under his father's command in the Battle of the Somme, and was commissioned in the field. He was wounded on three separate occasions, on one of them sustaining the facial deformity which led to his Arabic nickname, Abu Haneik, Father of the Little Chin.

Yet he was back in the lines for the final Allied offensive, uttering his *bon mot*: "The war regrettably was over just when it was going so well."

In 1920 Glubb was sent to Iraq, where he organized a local police force to defend the frontiers of the new British-administered state. He gained a reputation for his skill in settling quarrels between warring Arab tribes and in 1926 resigned his British commission to become an administrative officer in Baghdad.

In 1930 he was asked by the British Mandatory authorities to transfer to Transjordan. He rejoined the British army as a major and was attached to the Arab Legion, where its founder and commander Colonel Peake Pasha, entrusted him with the creation of the colourful Desert Patrol. Like the legendary T.E. Lawrence, whom he emulated, he adopted Arab dress, and when Peake retired in 1939 he succeeded him as commander of the Legion, which he led against the German-inspired revolt of Rashid Ali in Iraq in 1941.

Glubb's influence in Jordan reached its zenith after the war, when British prestige was still high and the Mandatory authorities began using the Legion in various anti-Jewish actions. Glubb, who suspected every Jew of being a communist, was always apprehensive about Soviet designs in the Middle East. Thus, with the help of the British exchequer, he made the Arab Legion the most modern and

best-disciplined force in the area and the symbol of Britain's unwelcome interference in Arab affairs.

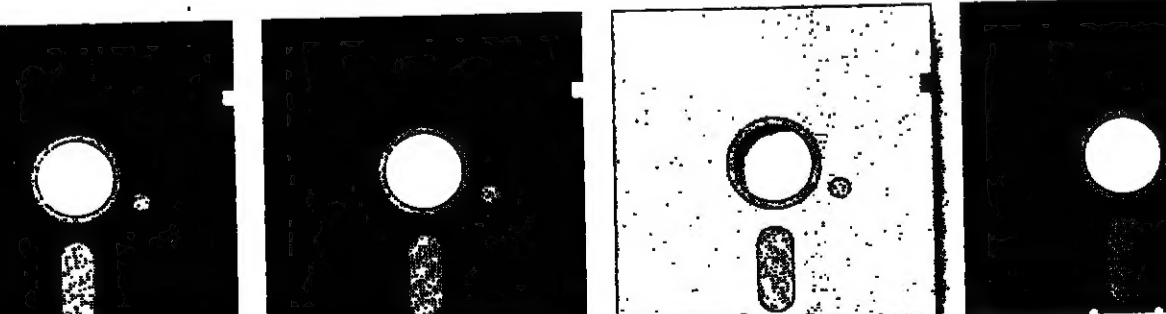
As a result of the outcome of the War of Independence, Glubb's reputation began to crack.

In 1951 Abdullah was assassinated in Jerusalem, depriving Glubb of a valued friend and sponsor. During the early Fifties, Arabs who felt that Jordan should be taking a more active role in the struggle against Israel and should become totally independent of British influence began to criticize Glubb Pasha.

Early in 1956, Jordan's opposition leader and later premier, Sleiman el-Nabulsi, attacked him for being too much of a restraining force in the Arab confrontation with Israel. By now his position was untenable, and at the beginning of March the youthful King Hussein yielded to popular pressure and dismissed Glubb, along with several other British officers, and replaced them with Jordanians.

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## POP SONG POWER

TELEREVIEW/Philip Gillon



Motti Giladi and Sarei Tsuril perform their winning song 'There'll come a day'

(Isaac Harari)

THE DECLINE of Israel as a Eurovision Song Contest superpower, like everything else that goes wrong in this once fair land of ours, can be ascribed entirely to the folly of Likud.

Misguided defenders of this party will no doubt point out triumphantly that the Likud was in power in 1978 and 1979, when Israel won the contest with "A-Ba-Ni-Bi" and "Hallelujah." Ah, but we were still living in those days on the fat inherited by the Likud from the Labour Party.

The second victory was achieved in Binyamin Ha'uma in Jerusalem, gaining us the right to stage the 1980 contest, as well. During the celebrations late into the night, everyone was debating eagerly whether it should be repeated in Jerusalem or should be moved to Caesarea.

Unfortunately, "Hallelujah" coincided with the appointment by Likud of Yosef (Tommy) Lapid as its political commissar in the Israel Broadcasting Authority, officially called the director-general.

There is an iron rule applying to all administrators in Israel: anyone taking on a new post is obliged to spend his first year in office destroying and denigrating everything that his predecessor had done. So Lapid's first decision was to abandon our right to the Eurovision Song Contest, allegedly on the grounds of economy and that it was not a very important cultural event. It was the only thing on which the Likud ever economized, apart from the Negev and Galilee development towns and settlements.

From that moment on, we never recovered our premier position. A major bastion of pop-song power had been abandoned recklessly and shamefully never to be regained, unless we win this year, now that Shimon Peres is prime minister.

I am prepared to go out on a limb and to rate our chances of success with Motti Giladi's *Yavo Yom* - "There'll come a day" very high indeed. Not one of the other songs we

heard Sunday night would have stood an earthly chance of winning, because none of them complied with the Gillon formula for winning the Eurovision Song contest, based on elaborate market research into the criteria for taking first prize.

It is a great mistake to confuse this contest with becoming King of the Pops, or making it to the Top 30 in the charts, or selling a million records.

The average pop song, heard by those people who are so misguided that they listen to our Second, Third, Army and Abie Nathan radio stations, consists of making as much noise as possible about love, preferably blighted love, to the accompaniment of a savage beat suitable for a Zulu war dance. It does not matter if the language used is English, Hebrew or French, the song is always the same.

NINETY-NINE per cent of the songs and poems written since Adam first ate the apple have dealt with love, and it is permissible to bring it into the Eurovision contest. But it must be in a sentimental, tender, romantic and happy vein.

When composing your songs for Eurovision, you must bear in mind that the juries deciding the contest in towns scattered over the continent of Europe are not young swingers used to living it up in discos: they are carefully selected to be what the organizers consider to be a cross-section of the country. Sensible people like these jurors loathe your usual pop song.

The other problem with the Eurovision contest is that the rules stipulate that the song has to be sung in the national language of the contestant. Eurovision countries consist of one intelligent country where people speak Hebrew, and a whole bunch of benighted nations which prattle away in such alien tongues as English, French, German, Swedish, Dutch, Greek, Spanish and Turkish. Admittedly, the juries are given

translations, but it is very hard to watch a singer singing and at the same time to follow the song in translation; it is like judging a server foot-faulting in tennis, because it requires either looking in two directions simultaneously or coordinating sight and sound.

The answer to the problem is to include in your song some clue word that is common to most languages, or which is easy to remember, after you have heard it translated for the first time. "Hallelujah" was an absolute inspiration - the juries all knew it, and they associated it with praising the Lord and being happy, so they voted for it. They were told in advance that "A-Ba-Ni-Bi" was a child's alphabet song - that was all

they needed.

I remember one Scandinavian group doing very well with "Rock'n Roll," a somewhat unexpected word in Swedish - the song, despite its title, did not breach the rule that it should not have typical disco ferocity; it was just jolly and hearty, with buxom blonde wenches throwing their grapefruit around.

I understand that Motti Giladi did not want to sing "Yavo Yom" himself, but had to do so because he could not get any recognized male pop star to do so. Sarei Tsuril is also not famous as a singer. But they did a great job, and I hope that they will not be replaced by a moaner and a groaner, or a shrieker and a screamer. But they must do something

about their clothes - let them spy out what is being worn by competitors from other lands. I am very doubtful whether theirs were the "in" thing. THE ISRAELI film of the week, *A Lofi in Manhattan*, was a repeat: we had seen it some time ago. It is an unfair trick on critics to show the same film again after a long lapse of time; it is impossible to remember what I wrote about the film the first time around. Still, it is a safe assumption that none of my readers will remember my words of wisdom then any more than I do, so here goes.

Emek Peri certainly made a very powerful production of the meeting in a New York slum between Yiddish writer Isaac Bashevis Singer and his son, Israel Zamir, whom Singer

had abandoned, together with the boy's mother, 20 years earlier, to grow up on kibbutz Beit Alfa.

Zamir goes to New York to seek his father, whom he finds in the throes of writing an autobiographical story about his younger years, calling himself Herman, a man who has managed to be hooked to three women simultaneously, not counting the one in Beit Alfa.

I am prepared to buy the theory that it is possible to love several women at the same time, but I found Singer's love life so joyless and technically demanding that I was not surprised that, in a nauseating scene, Wanda, one of his loves, follows him into the men's toilet and finds him vomiting all over the place.

"Simple," replied Goldstein. "I use a bicycle."

Vomit seemed to be an apt symbol for Singer, according to this film. Macaulay, in his essay on Boswell's *Life of Dr. Samuel Johnson*, wrote that Boswell was a toady, a drunkard, a womanizer, a spendthrift, the embodiment of every vice and of no virtues. According to Macaulay, these revolting qualities made him the greatest biographer who ever lived.

So with Singer: perhaps if he had been a better man, a good husband and father, he would have been incapable of writing such remarkable and sensual novels. It may have been tough on the family that he was like that, but it was good for the world. You can't please all the people all the time.

THE CONCLUSION of *Second Look* had the strangest twist I have ever seen in a documentary. For 58 minutes we had been thrilled by the way in which the directors and workers in the network of state-owned chemical industries had resisted all efforts to appoint party faithful to top executive positions.

From the time of Mappai to that of the Likud, we were shown, everyone had stood foursquare on the princi-

ple that nobody could take high office if he was not qualified to run a chemicals concern. They had been supported by the attorney-general and by the Supreme Court. As a result of this resistance to politicization, the firms were magnificently run, and were making profits for the country.

Then, suddenly, like one of those goals Hapoel Tel Aviv score at the last minute, we got two or three throw-away lines in which we were told that Minister of Trade and Industry Ariel Sharon had managed to pack the board with 11 Likud-supporting yes-men. None of them had any experience in the chemicals field. Sharon had thrown out Yisrael Sakharov as chairman, and had replaced him with Sharon's buddy-boy, Rafi Eitan. Victory for the powers of darkness.

Eitan's main claim to fame are that he was the man who captured Adolf Eichmann and the one who made such an appalling mess of the Jonathan Pollard affair that he nearly ruined Israel-U.S. relations. Most of his life has been spent as a spy in the shadows, no doubt serving Israel with great and selfless dedication.

Sharon's selection of him as chairman of the board reminds me of the young man, who once sat in as Sam Goldwyn was interviewing candidates for a public relations job.

Goldwyn asked the first interviewee what the sum of 2 and 2 was. "Four," said the candidate. The second said, "Twenty-two." The third tried 2,200 and the fourth 2,200,000.

"Which one do you think I'll take?" Goldwyn asked the aspiring tycoon.

"Oh, obviously the last - he's got big ideas, suitable for a Hollywood public relations job."

"No, I'm going to take the second, the one who said 22."

"But why?" "He's the son of my wife's second cousin."

## The mystery of Nadia

RADIO

Helga Dudman

all the time, but every day I learn something new."

But her endowments did not include robust health. She was moved to the Hadassah Hospital in Jerusalem, where her doctor also quickly fell under her spell. Partly as a result of her physical condition, she was released from prison and expelled from Israel about three years after her capture. The decision was, of course, made at the highest level, and with the consent of the security agencies.

That first broadcast made a considerable impression on people who heard it, and naturally raised a great many questions. To tell the truth, I am to blame for having missed some of the crucial introduction: I wasn't really in the mood for a lengthy documentary on terrorism - but I was hooked very quickly by the fascinating combination of the plot and Pe'er's treatment of it.

THE SECOND programme brought us up to last year, when Pe'er decided to go to Europe to track down Nadia. She had been told by a former inmate of Neveh Tirza that there were rumours that Nadia had rejoined the terrorists; that she had

married the brother of Naif Hawatmeh, head of the Democratic Front for the Liberation of Palestine; that she was dead. But what was the truth?

In Paris, Pe'er interviewed Greek singer George Moustaki, who speaks a bit of Hebrew but, more relevantly, had been Nadia's lover before her terrorist days.

He mentioned, among several ambivalent personal observations, that some time after her release and return to Morocco, Nadia appeared at an arts festival and sang seven or eight Hebrew songs. Somebody in the audience objected. Said Nadia forcefully, "I have every right to sing these songs in my own country."

After a great deal of effort, Pe'er finally tracked her down in Morocco and phoned her from Paris. They agreed to meet, and Pe'er went to Morocco, with microphone and camera.

It is impossible to convey in a few printed lines the quality of this second broadcast. It was superb radio, with music from Nadia's songs, and from her favourites (Arik Einstein), and hollow echoes of previous recordings, when Nadia's Israeli friends recalled her. ("She's one of us! She's one of us!")

In brief, Nadia was indeed back among the militant anti-Israelis, and married to one Mustafa, a top aide to George Habash (though they had now apparently separated, and Mustafa was teaching law at a universi-

ty). There had been a period of poverty after her release, when the family's funds were temporarily unavailable and she and Marlene were homeless and friendless and without passports. But then (and without much detail) Nadia drifted back into terrorist arms.

She was sent to Russia three times for medical treatment ("My doctor there was Jewish - a wonderful man") and had been in Beirut through much of the Lebanon War. Not surprisingly, she had been in an area bombed by Israeli planes. And she had broadcast Fatah propaganda to Israel in Hebrew.

"I just read from your own papers," she told Pe'er. "In your newspapers, one doesn't need to read between the lines." But also: "Lebanon is not a country. Israel is a country."

Today Nadia, still a beautiful blonde at 40, is "tired of politics," but working with young militants - who, as Pe'er mentioned, are very well dressed in the latest French fashions - as editor of a French-language Rabat journal. She is finally about to come into her own huge inheritance, and has access to the highest levels of the Moroccan establishment, including the king.

THE FINAL bombshell which of course Pe'er saved to hurl at us at

nearly the end, was that Nadia's whole performance during her imprisonment here, her enthusiasm for Zionism and Hebrew songs, and her admiration for Israeli patriotism, was a sham.

"We got out messages to our brothers in the occupied areas, through prison workers and in other ways. And those seemingly harmless unsealed letters I had sent abroad - those, too, contained messages."

Says Nadia today: "You Israelis are so sure you are right, and you so want people to believe and to understand you..."

I admired Pe'er for continuing to argue with Nadia in Morocco, and for continuing to fight, as it were, for her soul. I could not entirely understand her continuing efforts to record and photograph their struggle: was she expecting Nadia to reveal some residue of friendship and intimacy, if not of Zionism? How, in fact, could she have done so?

There was a last personal betrayal in store for Pe'er when she left Morocco. Opening her luggage, she found that all her tapes and photos had been removed and replaced with blanks. Nadia's final act. And Pe'er's final words: "Well, perhaps next time."

There are gaps, and there are unanswered questions - but as truth goes, it is all true, especially the lies.

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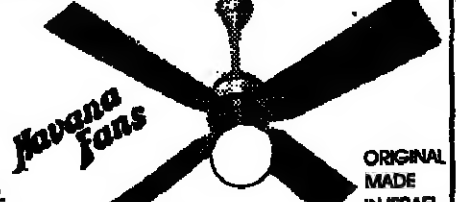
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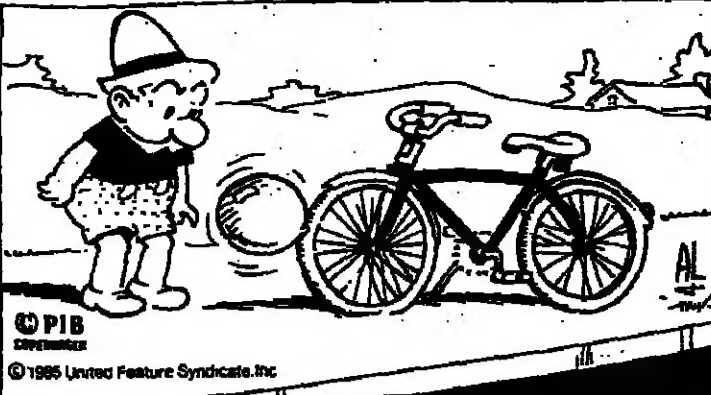
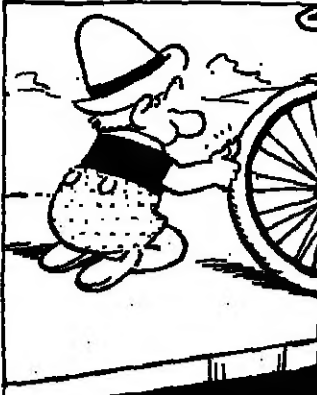
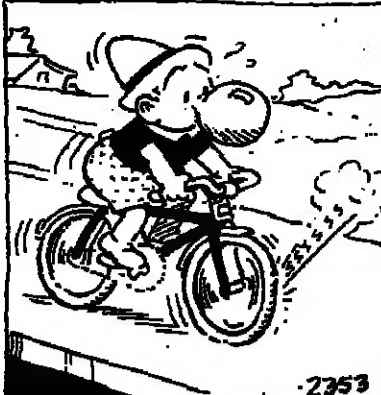
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The contention that repentance is of greater importance than sacrificial offerings, is prevalent in prophetic and rabbinic literature. Those, as well as the traditional liturgy, do not, however, repudiate the sacrificial cult itself, as do some medieval and modern philosophers. They merely emphasize that sin cannot be obliterated by the sheer technical rite of sacrifice. One cannot placate God by giving something to the sanctuary and its attendants. God's real sacrifice is the "broken spirit" and "contrite heart" of the penitent (Psalms 51:19). The sinner, we are told, must perceive it as if he himself was being sacrificed on the altar.

One Talmudic saying on this subject portrays in a most striking way the position of the rabbis: "They asked wisdom" the Jerusalem Talmud (Makkoth 2.7) tells us, "what is the punishment of the sinner? Wisdom replied: 'Evil pursueth sinners' (Proverbs 13:21). They asked prophecy, 'what is the punishment of the sinner?' Prophecy replied: 'The soul that sinneth it shall die' (Ezekiel 18:4). They asked Torah, 'what is the punishment of the sinner?' Torah replied: 'He should bring a sacrifice and be atoned.' Finally they asked God himself, 'what is the punishment of the sinner?' He replied: 'Let him repent and he will find atonement.'

God is daringly posited here against all three parts of the Tanakh (Torah, Prophets and Hagiology) as voicing the opinion that repentance is in fact an act of divine grace, running contrary to the rational approach that adopts the inherent between sin and punishment. Wisdom stresses the pangs of consciousness bound to plague the sinner; prophecy, the ultimate wages of sin; Torah suggests the absolution via offering. They are of course all valid. But there is something that comes directly from God, and transcends

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Examining a ritual site that may be the altar built by Joshua

them all and that is: atonement by way of repentance. This, then, is the aim of the sin offerings and guilt offerings enumerated in the first chapters of *Va-yikra*. Genuine repentance cannot come about from an amorphous transient thought of remorse. The sinner must boldly face the gravity of his guilt, and then acts to relieve its burden by going to the sanctuary and expressing his feelings there. The words of his confession will destroy and burn his sinful pride, just as the sacrifice burns and is consumed on the altar.

The proposition that repentance is meaningless without the stark awareness of guilt, provoked adverse comments from Paul down to Freud. How much more so in our own time when guilt is looked upon as a malaise requiring urgent treatment by a psychiatrist. In an age of permissiveness coupled by man's fear of himself, a sense of guilt is considered a symptom of a mental disorder. If everything is allowed, why feel guilty? Moreover, knocking ourselves out to find some tranquility in life, who needs the gnawing discomfort feeling of a guilt trip?

Tora suggests that guilt resulting from specific wrongdoings indicates a person's healthy urge to return to

normalcy. There is of course a marked difference between a psychopathic excessive guilt complex and the necessary confession of guilt which leads to repentance. Indeed, not all guilt is to be looked upon as a "complex." Some of us are simply guilty.

Realizing this, we are instructed to offer a sacrifice — not to bribe the gods, but to lead ourselves out of sin and guilt, unto the path of repentance.

The possibility given to us to err is part of the blessing of human freedom, as is the ability to admit mistakes, and try to rectify them.

No one is infallible. The list of those who are commanded to bring a sin offering starts with the "anointed priest" (Leviticus 4:3). Even His Eminence the highest ranking religious official is not infallible. He too, like everybody else, must acknowledge his mistakes in public, even those not committed deliberately.

Following the high priest comes the *sanhedrin*, the highest judicial authority the recognized leaders of the "entire congregation" (verse 13). Everyone looks up to them for guidance, but they too could err. The Supreme Court, dignified and powerful, must have the courage to

admit its guilt when necessary and bring its sin offering.

Next on the list is the head of state, the highest authoritative figure (verse 22). He too must bring a public sin offering. Rashi (*ad loc.*) quotes the talmudic midrash (*sifra*) that elaborates on the verse dealing with the sin of the ruler. It does not start, as do the others, with the word *im* ("if...will commit a sin"), but with the word *asher* ("when the ruler had sinned"), this word is reminiscent of a "similar sounding word *ashrei*, meaning "happy," or "praised" (*ashrei* is the opening word of the book of Psalms): "Happy, or praised, is the generation whose ruler is ready to admit his mistakes."

Considering the political reality in ancient as well as in modern times, a generation, whose leaders are ready to take the blame for wrongdoings on themselves and not pass it on to their political opponents, deserves to be praised.

The high priest, the chief justice or attorney general, and the chief executive, could easily have covered up their mistakes. If Tora did not suggest that they acknowledge guilt when it was proper to do so.

The awareness of guilt is the first step. Remorse over past actions must be followed by acceptance of change in the future. Only then is the way open to full repentance.

Furthermore, in cases where monetary fraud is involved (*ibid.*, 5:15-16; 20-27), remorse will not bring atonement, until the embezzled money is restored to its lawful owner. One cannot clear his religious conscience, while "civil" or monetary claims resulting from fraudulent interpersonal dealings are still pending.

Tora recognizes no bifurcation between the religious and the civil realms: one cannot be a respected member of his religious community and simultaneously be a scoundrel in the market-place. Thus we read: "When a person sins and commits a grievous fault against the Lord, whether he lies to a fellow countryman about a deposit or contract, or wrongs him by extortion, etc." (verse 21). Dealing deceitfully against one's fellow is described as "a grievous fault against the Lord."

And "When one has thus sinned, realizing his guilt, he would restore that which he got through robbery or fraud" (verse 23). Only then "Shall the priest make atonement for him before the Lord and He shall be forgiven" (verse 26).

The Tora portion for this week is *Va-yikra* (Leviticus 1:1-5:26).

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Azur, 3 1/2, 2nd floor, phone, possible purchase, 02-867759, 02-964098.

Bat Yam centre, 2 rooms, phone, for rent, 02-868394.

Rental, Rehov Daniel, 2 rooms, phone, 3rd floor, 399180.

Spritzak, furnished, 2 1/2, large balcony, phone, 3rd floor, 02-456298.

**Furnished Flats**

Holon, furnished one-room flat, 02-971309, work, 02-593312, evenings, 02-843162, 02-523299.

Room in woman's flat for quiet young woman, 02-82095, work.

**Flats for Rent**

Ramat Gan, room, spacious, ground floor, phone, solar boiler (no agent), 02-768414.

**Keymoney**

Ramat Gan centre, 2 large rooms, ground floor, 735656.

**Furnished Flats**

Ramat Gan centre, 2 1/2, 3rd floor, furnished, airconditioner, phone, 02-73624.

Ramat Gan, 2, fully furnished, quiet and central location, 02-722558.

Flatmate for 3 room flat + phone, Ramat Gan, 02-790639.

Givatayim, Shenkin, 2, hall, ground floor, furnished, phone, 02-411220.

Lounge + 2, Rehov Hagelan, on pillars, 240, 263063.

Ramat Gan, nice young woman required for cleaning in exchange for free room, 02-732949.

**Flats Wanted**

Flat required in Ramat Gan area, rental, 2 1/2-3 rooms, partially furnished, with yard or garden, June 1 occupancy, 02-632902.

Seeking furnished, 1st-2nd floor, in Kfar, for April-May, 02-528523, 02-378703.

Seeking excellent realty agent, assistant to general manager, businessperson to assist in planning projects, possibly part time (experience + curriculum vitae), POB 2730, Ramat Gan.

**Flats for Rent**

Kfar Sava, 3, phone, solar boiler, unfurnished, 02-838198, 02-33151.

Ramata, Hagadol Haivri, luxurious, 3 1/2, phone, 02-48548, 02-415383.

Herzliya, 4, 7th floor, view, double convenience, 220, 02-535005.

Ramat Hassaron, 5 room flat, well-in, close, long term rental, 02-478636, 02-733371.

Herzliya, 3, 2nd floor, central, quiet, no phone, 02-524707.

Herzliya, 5, 1st floor, solar boiler, central, immediate, new! 02-845458.

**Furnished Flats**

Ramat Hassaron, 3, 3rd floor, phone, immediate, central and quiet! 02-473739.

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Nevev Magen, lower + well kept garden, 3 rooms, phone, 02-410021.

**Southern Region**

3-3 1/2 ROOMS

Eilat, 3, fascinating view, town centre, bargain, 02-234638.

Rishon LeZion, 3, bargain, 3rd floor, solar boiler, flexible vacancy, 02-590740.

303 home video camera + Canon Super-8 camera, 02-410380.

Villa contents, excellent furniture, youth room, bedroom, wardrobe, electrical appliances, huge ladder, bicycle, gardening equipment, 02-495704.

Westinghouse, 100, Loeve Opta color television, 02-495704.

Women's clothing, electrical appliances, 02-495704.

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English professional 10-year light-weight racing bikes, suitable for adults, 5400, 02-493255.

Importer in trouble! Selling rechargeable shavers at NIS 35, 02-474121.

**4 ROOMS & MORE**

Ramata, 4, 2nd floor, double convenience, cupboards, parking, 02-56003.

Ramata, 5 1/2 + roof, luxurious, 5127,000, 02-51012, 02-485667.

Verdeco Herzliya, 5 + extra, 2nd floor, NIS 160,000, 02-599150, home, 02-625971.

Herzliya, 4 large, 2nd floor, parking, lift, new, 02-82777, 02-47946.

Kfar Sava centre, 5, 2nd floor, 4th floor, 85,000, Call 02-789787.

Petah Tikva, 3 1/2, 4th floor, 2 exposures, well arranged, 02-910546.

Ramat Gan, 3, Pines, well arranged, 1st floor on pillars, solar boiler, American kitchen, 767717.

Ramat Gan, 4, double convenience, lift, 4th floor, well arranged, 768387.

Tel Ginitia, Givatayim, 3 1/2, 3rd floor, no lift, improvements, 02-779274.

Visit the model flat of Midway company, Petah Tikva, 5 Rehov Yona Green, Monday and Wednesday, 16.00-18.00.

Givat Shmuel, 3, 3rd floor, 3 exposures, nice, well arranged, 02-322221.

Givatayim, 3, 2nd floor, 3 exposures, 3 balconies, phone, facing Kfar Hamedana, 69,000, 02-241702, from 30,000, 02-485777, not Shabbat.

Petah Tikva, 3 1/2, 4th floor, excellent location, 3 exposures, 02-923418.

Petah Tikva, Elin Gonen, 3 1/2, 3rd floor, frontal, well arranged, parking, 02-6458.

Ramat Elai, 3 1/2, well arranged, 2nd floor, parking, American kitchen, 02-323236.

**4 ROOMS & MORE**

Ramat Gan, 120sq.m., in two-story, lift, roof, well-tended garden, NIS 160,000, 02-763019, 02-882126.

Ramat Gan, Hayarden, 4, roof, large, balconies, 02-76546.

Petah Tikva, Kfar Ginitia, 4, additions, lift, new, 02-923107, not Shabbat.

Petah Tikva, Rabel Hamedana, 4 1/2, 3rd floor, well arranged, parking, 02-616223.

Ramat Gan, Tehechik, 4 rooms, improvements, heating, good exposures, immediate occupancy, for religious, 02-747107.

Ramat Gan, rental, penthouse, 2, 24632, 288812.

Bargain! 2 flats, one above the other, new, 02-322638.

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Givatayim centre, 2 1/2, phone, solar boiler, partially furnished, 02-775722.

Monthly rental, 2 1/2, furnished, Ramat Gan centre, phone, 798248.

Petah Tikva centre, 4 rooms, new, quiet, 02-706022.

Ramat Gan, Shikun Vatikim, 3, phone, unfurnished, immediate, 705004.

Ramat Gan, in two-family, 2 large, phone, NIS 300, 02-764602.

Bnei Brak, Hishadur neighbourhood, 2 rooms in two-family, 742773.

Givatayim centre, 2, hall, balconies, phone, furnished, ground floor, 742221.

Givatayim, 2 large, phone, ground, unfurnished, cupboards, 411742.

Petah Tikva, 3 1/2, phone, well kept, for young couple, 02-449674, 02-264443.

Petah Tikva, Rothschild, 3, 6th floor, 14, parking, hot water, 02-922004, evenings.

30(m), seeking flatmate(?) for flat in Ramat Gan, Tel. 739542, afternoons.

Herzliya centre, 5, spacious, 2 entrances, quiet, 02-540366.

Herzliya-Hatza, 5, two-story, 3 conversions, many additions, NIS 185,000, 02-345783.

Herzliya, 4, parking, 1st floor, on pillars, spacious, quiet, 02-85950.

Kfar Sava, 4 rooms, well arranged, quiet and verdant area, 02-35391.

Rehovot, 3 1/2, luxurious, 1 1/2 floor, 02-288501, not Shabbat.

**Flats for Rent**

3 rooms, Rishon LeZion, central, 4th floor, 02-350777.

Small flat, 80cm. between tips; 130 litre Oldivian compressor, full phone, 02-319476, morning, not Shabbat.

Tadlan Deluxe refrigerator; stove + oven; furniture, 02-849467.

Tunnel ovens for baking and drying, for sale, evenings, 02-345717.

Bargain! Canon 3-ton electronic systems for sale, Azriel, 02-4611846, home, 02-823902.

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For sale, electronic 40-ton bridge scale, 02-443133.

Letterpress (small), machines, equipment, premises for rent, 799482.

New: Fischer stereo system: washing machine: Caloric oven: American refrigerator, 02-43434.

Ski-Snow, total liquidation of stock, clothing and equipment, new and used, 02-290645.

**Air Conditioners**

Bargain, reconditioned airconditioners, 2 year guarantee for compressor, Kfar-A, 02-658698.

Best organ buy at Hahit: Eilat-Orla and Ben organ and Casio keyboard player at surprising prices, Hahit, Kikar Hahashon, Jaffa.

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Phillips freezer + washing machine, special Pioneer stereo, wardrobe, bed and dining furniture + others, 02-495704.

Robot 2.5 ton lift + platform, good condition, 02-465066.

Sanyo and Panasonic answering machines + remote control, Photocopy 163 Ima Givrol, 02-447706, 02-455663.

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FROM THE point of view of the Reagan administration, it is doubtful whether Israel's national unity government is worthy of the second \$750 million emergency grant from the U.S. Prime Minister Shimon Peres hopes to get the money during his visit to Washington next month. Last year the U.S. agreed to grant the aid, subject to Israel's implementing stringent economic measures. To ensure this, it divided the \$1.5 billion emergency package into two instalments, the first of which was transferred last year.

Now, nine months after the launching of the stabilization plan, the economic scene looks alarmingly similar to the one which prevailed one year ago. The Treasury is frightened by its inability to impose budgetary discipline on the ministers. Senior ministry officials say politicians are so happy with the unexpected drop in inflation that they are planning a spending spree.

On Sunday the Treasury told the cabinet urgent measures are needed

# With the possibility of elections in the air No buyers for austerity

Shlomo Maoz and Avi Temkin find Israel's economic situation is likely to lead to intervention by the U.S.

to prevent an excess of \$500 m. in government spending beyond budget limits for the next fiscal year. More than half of that sum stems from stalled tax legislation. Ministers and Knesset members are unable or unwilling to carry out previous cabinet decisions on taxing social welfare allowances and imposing an education levy.

Developments abroad, over which Israel has no control, have also convinced a majority of the ministers that cuts and austerity are

not so essential. Plummeting oil prices and a weaker dollar enabled the government to sustain the economic plan longer than originally planned, and much longer than would have been possible without cuts and with rising wages. The windfall gains from low oil and other commodities prices abroad and of a weaker dollar are possibly equal to half of the total emergency American grant.

WITH THE possibility of early elections in the air, the politicians' re-

luctance to implement decisions on unpopular taxes is understandable. The question is whether the windfall gains will be used to cover holes in the budget or to finance investments and the upgrading of equipment.

The impact of accelerated economic growth and increased volume of international trade in the Western industrial countries is soon to be felt throughout the world. It is clear international competition for markets is due to rise. The race has already begun among the awakening

economies. Proper investments in the very next months will determine who will succeed.

Elections do not encourage long-run planning and thinking; short-run benefits are pre-eminent. Thus, the possibility of elections, in these critical months when every body else abroad is busy preparing for the "post-Opec" period, would have fateful, harmful results. Much needed structural changes are not yet taking place. The politicians' enthusiasm for them cooled when

the short-term price became evident and early elections seemed a reality. The government is financing survival, not growth.

BUT WHAT about the Americans? The Reagan administration is sceptical about the benefits of the rescue operations for ailing firms started by the government. In its opinion, only lower taxes and a much smaller public sector can encourage real growth and enhance Israeli competitiveness.

Israel is still licking the wounds of its economic crisis. Resources made available are going to be spent to bail out distressed sectors, not to finance new lines of production, new ideas or new investments. In a few months it will be too late. We will find ourselves trailing behind and festive declarations about economic growth or pompous decisions will not help.

In 1985 it was Stanley Fischer and Herbert Stein, the U.S. unofficial monitoring team for the economy, that presented Israel with a 10-point economic programme, most of

which was duly executed. This prevented a breakdown of the economy, but it did not ensure economic growth.

In light of the government's failure to cut the budget and its need to absorb all the resources available in the capital market, further American intervention is on the agenda. The State Department is already sponsoring seminars and conferences for American businessmen to advise them on the situation.

If such a trend continues, the U.S. will start intervening not only in the design of macro-economic policy, but could even start taking an interest in much more specific areas. The U.S. administration has already notified Israel no further emergency aid will be granted in the future. Thus it is essential the \$1.5 b. "investment" package should be protected and spent in worthy projects. The uses the government is giving to the emergency aid it has already received do not fall under that category.

IF YOU haven't scratched fifty-50 yet, please skip this column and go elsewhere: turn the page or do the crossword puzzle. These lines are not for you because today we're going to talk about retirement, the purported over-the-rainbow dream world of the post-50 crowd.

To be sure, "nifty-50" didn't always refer to that special year when most men and women begin to think about the magical age of retirement - 65 for men and 60 for women. If my post-nifty-50 memory is not playing tricks on me, that phrase used to refer to a group of up-and-coming American corporations - all of them growth industries - whose share price quotations would make hearts beat faster on Wall Street.

Today, alas, social psychologists use the term "nifty-50" to describe the onset of retirement hallucinations.

The economics of retiring in Israel were treated a few weeks ago on this page by Macabee Dean. His eye-opening revelations were so depressing that Robert Browning, had he read Dean's column, would surely never have written his famous poem *Rabbi Ben Ezra* which begins: *Grow old along with me*

*The best is yet to be...*

For example, the National Insurance Institute - that best friend of the retiree - stands ready to give him (or her) a generous monthly allowance equaling about one-quarter to one-third the current average national wage. Since all good things seem to be quoted in dollars nowadays in this shkelized economy of ours, that means \$142 to \$190 a month!

My friends at the Central Bureau of Statistics tell me that there are approximately 10,300 men in this country aged 65 and 16,300 women at 60.

And they also inform me that in

## The view after 'nifty 50'

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the same 24 hours, 204 babies are born, with the male infants among the expected to live to the age of 73.2 years, and the females to 76.6 years of age.

Is there any scientific basis for the commonly accepted view of 65 as the watershed age for men and 60 for women?

"Absolutely not," says Dr. Israel Katz, former minister of Labour and Social Affairs and now director of the Centre for Social Policy Studies in Israel. "There are no objective criteria in this matter, and there cannot be since no two people age alike. I know people 40 years old who are ready to retire, and I know 70-year-olds who are still as raring-to-go now as they were 30 years ago."

The whole concept of retirement at 65 is an outgrowth of Bismarck's political policy promulgated 100 years ago to get some form of social security scheme going.

Katz believes that although "it is not good to retire" and that "most people do want to retire," it all boils down in the end on whether you enjoy your occupation and how much you will receive as a pensioner if you stop working.

As one pensioner's wife told Katz recently after her husband retired and they started to live on his pension: "Now I've got twice as much husband around the house, but half as much income!"

Katz speaks ruefully of the scenes he encounters at senior citizens homes, which he visits as a volunteer once a week. "What a waste of human resources," he exclaims. "I walk into those places to deliver lectures and find myself face to face with retired judges, lawyers, accountants and businessmen who, believe me, are as alert, knowledgeable and clear-minded as I if not more so."

"Look at all that training, expertise and experience that is going down the drain by having these people cut off from productive society."

Yet, it is the consideration of that "productive society" that keeps alive the mystique of mandatory retirement. "Yes," Katz adds, "retirement is a genuine social problem in our times of increased longevity, and like most social problems there is no direct solution."

"After all," he insists, "there is a whole generation out there waiting to take over your job, your profession, your business. We must not dare block their advancement, especially in times like these when unemployment is knocking at our doors."

What, then, shall we do with the old fogies who, having been presented with the ubiquitous gold watch by the boss, refuse to sit around the house in the rocking chair reading the fannies or knitting sweaters for the grandchildren?



A woman who doesn't seem to believe in retirement, Miriam Mendilow, who runs Lifeline for the Aged in Jerusalem, and William Flohr.

"Ever hear of the Third Sector?" Katz asks.

No, we have not. "Well, you have the First Sector; that's the so-called public sector - the civil service and the institutional field. Then, you have the Second Sector - private industry and commerce. Then, we have the Third Sector. That is the growing non-profit sector, growing so fast that in at least one country - Sweden - the explosion of social services has already led to a form of compulsory voluntary service."

Why the need for so many voluntary, non-paid workers? Well, it seems that in times like these, especially with high inflation, people are beginning to balk at paying taxes for social services. And the politicians know this.

As the fathers and mothers live longer while the sons and daughters bear fewer offspring, a situation develops where fewer working people are supporting more dependent people. "It follows, then, that there is nothing immoral in forcing retired people to provide some of those social services at zero wages," Katz opines.

"Israel must enlarge the scope of its volunteer cadre," he says. "We must start to formulate career training programmes for retirees just as we do for young people just starting out on their first job."

"With some thought we can invent careers that are not dependent on the economy and yet will give still-productive older men and women something to do, something that will provide them with the motivation to stay on their feet and keep going as long as physically possible."

"There are many unmet needs in the field of social services for the elderly that would be filled by developing the Third Sector as a real component in our economy," Katz continues. "For example, people who turn 75 may suddenly find it difficult to prepare their own meals or clean their own homes. This forces them to enter old-age homes, a change in their lifestyle that frequently means earlier death, according to gerontologists."

"If, on the other hand, Third Sector volunteers of the 60 and 65 age group help with the cooking and cleaning chores, the post 75's will be able to remain at home for a few more years and - as a result - live longer."

A psychoanalyst who works with the elderly has told Katz: "The main problem faced by older people is that they have no problems to face, except - for many - the economic one. That lack of stimulation can kill them, and it often does."

With a preamble stating, "Not all men and women want to be put out to pasture," the New Jersey Assembly unanimously passed a bill recently prohibiting compulsory retirement in that state.

Should the Knesset take a cue?

## Visible beep

THE BEEPERS that transmit urgent messages to their wearers are convenient - but also a terrible nuisance. They seem to sound off at the most embarrassing moments, in the middle of a movie, a concert or a public lecture. The Pagell company based in Tel Aviv has introduced a new system that transmits messages visually instead of audibly.

Most of the messages left are phone numbers. If someone gets a buzz while driving, he has no time to note it down. The digital mini-screen on the device lights up with any phone number, up to 11 digits. The device has a memory that retains the four last messages recorded.

The rental price for the new beeper is identical to that charged for the audible-message receiver. About 100 are already in use, but the company expects this will grow tremendously.

THE DREADED disease of leprosy is now being diagnosed quickly in Third World countries by a new device developed by the World Health Organization of the UN.

One early symptom of leprosy is the inability to distinguish between hot and cold in a particular area of the skin. The new device therefore tests for nerve dysfunction by using two test-tubes, one containing hot water and the other cold.

They come in the form of a pen-light torch. The electronic end produces a temperature of 40°C when switched on, while the other end remains cool. The patient is asked to react, and the health officer can send those with warning signs of the disease for treatment.

SKIN can be soldered together, almost like metal, in a way that reduces scarring, according to a research team at Beilinson Hospital in Petah Tikva. A team headed by Isaac Kaplan is experimenting with welding the skin of rats with a carbon-dioxide laser. According to the latest issue of *The Israel Economist*, the welding converts proteins to liquid, which later resolidifies. Human infants with severe cuts underwent this experimental procedure as an alternative to sutures. The scars left by the laser were much less visible than those left by stitches.

ABOUT 5 to 10 per cent of the population suffer from very heavy perspiration - on the palms of the hands, the soles of the feet and under the arms. This problem, called hyperhidrosis, can be especially annoying during adolescence, but it affects all age levels. One 18-year-old was rejected for army service because of her problem, but after treatment by a new device imported from the U.S., her hyper-perspiration was completely relieved and she was accepted by the IDF.

The device, imported by Tradis Gat of Ramat Gan, reportedly helps 95 per cent of those suffering from the problem. The cost - IS331 - is steep, much higher than in the U.S. because of customs duties. Doctors say that it is infinitely preferable to the old method of treatment - surgery of the sympathetic nerves that control perspiration. That operation sometimes results in in-



Judy Siegel-Itzkovich.

creased sweating in other parts of the body.

Initial treatment involves the use of the machine for 20 minutes seven to 14 times a day, and a maintenance treatment once every month or two. It uses pads and works by electrophoresis - the ionization of sweat at the ends of the sweat-gland ducts.

Several hundred of the devices have been sold so far; the health funds do not pay for them, as they do not regard hyperhidrosis as a serious affliction.

The importer also handles local sales of the famous Rhinotherm device, invented by Weizmann Institute scientists and manufactured by Netzer Sereni kibbutz, which provides relief for chronic sufferers from post-nasal drip.

IMAGINE sitting bolt upright for over an hour on a hard seat and holding a heavy instrument in the air. Back pains are an occupational hazard for members of symphony orchestras.

Now Wenger, an American furniture manufacturer based in Minnesota, has produced a new range of chairs designed specifically for musicians. They were tested by the New York Philharmonic, the Cleveland Symphony and the Detroit Symphony last year and found to reduce or eliminate backaches. The Wenger chairs force musicians to sit at a certain angle, about 97 degrees between torso and thighs. Any smaller angle would impair breathing for wind players and give players of heavy instruments like violas insufficient back support. The seats are saddle-shaped and moulded at the front, tipping the musicians slightly forward but keeping their backs straight.

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## Urgent Appeal for Aid to the Needy 7 Adar B', 5746

A terrible catastrophe has occurred in Jerusalem: a distinguished individual and Torah scholar has passed away in the very prime of life, leaving behind him a widow with seven small children, with no one to turn to and an utterly destitute household. Their situation is bleak indeed.

We therefore add our voice to that of other distinguished personalities in pointing out what a great mitzva it is to offer to extend a generous, helping hand to the family. In so doing, we will simultaneously be carrying out the mitzva of assisting the destitute. As the Rambam has pointed out, there is no greater joy than in gladdening the hearts of the poor, the orphaned, the widowed. He who gladdens the hearts of these unfortunate is like unto the Spirit of Providence, as it is written, "to revive the downcast, to revive the heart of the downtrodden" (Rambam, Laws of Megilla II, 17). Contributions may be made before Purim, the moneys to be withheld by the trustees and presented to the widow and her orphaned children on Purim day.

May we be worthy of the promise: "There was light and joy, gladness and great worth amongst the Jews," in the literal and figurative sense, Amen.

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Please note: According to a rabbinical decision, presents to the needy may be considered as a Purim gift, even though such gifts were sent to the family after Purim. #024-05-023

סוכות האהלים



## MARKET PLACE

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## What next?

The share market yesterday celebrated a famous victory over the political forces that sought to impose themselves on it.

These politicians are not confined to the Labour party and Mapam, although that is where the noise was coming from. In this context it should cause no surprise if the next time around it is the David Levy-protect-the-development-towns brigade in Herat that leads the charge against the stock exchange windmill.

In any event, the brokers, portfolio managers and speculators won, and the politicians of the left lost. The battle was fought in two stages: After the first talk of taxing the exchange, the trading community sparked a major panic and threatened to close the market down with them. This succeeded in triggering the desired response from the exchange management, who obligingly closed shop for a session, on Tuesday.

This was itself enough to send Messrs. Arens, Ya'acobi, Amos and others running for cover, shouting to everyone "don't worry, it'll be all right."

Finance Minister Moda'i, in a superb example of how to "hit the ground running," reiterated the message in very tough terms as soon as he had unfurled his seat-belt on his return from Switzerland.

Round 2 came on Wednesday. The exchange community, not satisfied with its achievement the previous day (shades of Mordechai and Esther in Shushan) decided to extend the mayhem for another day, because the Prime Minister himself had not eaten humble pie on this touchy issue.

So, on Wednesday the market got creamed, although, fortunately for those who had been stumped into selling, most shares did not open for trading on that day either, since they were marked "sellers only," so great was the wave of selling.

The play worked with Peres as it had worked with numerous others before him. The Prime Minister dutifully placated the market Machiavelli on Thursday morning, and the stage was set for the choreographers to stand the whole show on its head.

The selling disappeared and a wave of buying took its place, although this was subsequently admitted to have been a little too strong. However, within a few days the market will be smoothed out and the market will, barring further interruptions, resume its upward climb.

The fact that this sell-off fitted into the technical pattern in that a shake-out had become necessary after several weeks of sharp gains, does not contradict the foregoing analysis. The traders needed a reason to correct the market's internal rhythm and when the FIT scandal of last week failed to provide it, it became almost certain that the next excuse would have to do.

That this excuse happened to be the perennial bogey of the taxman, merely allowed the traders to kill two birds - the politicians and the managers on in the share market - with one stone - a panic sell-off.

Peres's speech lashing out at the exchange and the smart operators who run it, made later yesterday, indicates his frustration on this matter. He is aware of the injustice of not taxing speculation while taxing everything else into the ground. But he has been brainwashed that the stock exchange is untouchable because it is needed for the sacred cause of raising capital for growth. He is only half-right.

That the "growth" talk is so much bubble will presently become clear. That the stock exchange is incapable of raising real capital for anything should be obvious to everyone, particularly the government, which is the main guilty party in embezzling it.

What it should have now become clear to Peres - and maybe to Ya'acobi and Amos as well, that the Tel Aviv Stock Exchange's share market is a closed shop, rigged by a small self-appointed group of manipulators who have successfully enriched themselves for years and smuggled their ill-gotten gains abroad, never paying a cent to the state along the way.

The details of the FIT scandal, now beginning to ooze out of the slime, might make this phenomenon clearer to the naive and self-deluded.

As for the market, it has decided that the government is falling apart, that monetary policy will remain loose and deposit rates in the banks negative, and therefore the way is open for a juicy boom which, at the moment, seems set to run at least until May.

But whenever it ends, it is a sure bet that the general public will be left holding the blasted shares when their price is decimated, and that the bourse fraternity will be long gone to greener pastures.

## Inconclusive end to Opec meet seen

GENEVA (Reuters). - World oil markets may be waiting in vain for a signal on pricing or output from the Opec conference here, delegates told Reuters yesterday.

They said that far from nearing agreement on action needed to buoy up prices and restore stability to nervous markets, the ministers had not talked about specific figures at all.

For several days prices, at \$14 a barrel already at their lowest in real terms in a decade, have moved nervously on rumours of possible agreement by Opec to cut its output, at least partially ending the world glut of crude oil.

But Alirio Parra, a senior Venezuelan delegate who chaired yesterday's meeting of experts held currently with the ministerial session, told journalists: "We have not discussed the cutting of production, we just discussed the market parameters."

And another senior delegate who attended the ministerial meeting reported, "No sense of desperation or urgency, nobody realizes how serious it is."

The ministers, he added, spent 50 per cent of their time talking about the past and recriminating and complaining about each other, and the other 50 per cent they are making long-winded policy statements.

One source confirmed that there was general agreement that production levels had to come down, but

that not every country was ready to take a cut.

Opec's self-imposed output ceiling is 16 million bpd, but its actual production more like 17 million.

Nigerian oil minister Rilwanu Lukman said the group was considering options for reducing this to between 13m. and 16m. bpd, against an estimated demand next quarter of up to 15m.

But conference sources said these figures were only scenarios, not firm proposals. The only actual figure formally put to the meeting in more than four days of talks was Ecuador's suggestion of a 15 per cent cut in exports by all members, said one delegate, and this had been dismissed by several states.

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Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. - The police are investigating allegations of a multi-million dollar fraud by Hagai Blich and Yuri Salant, the partners who controlled FIT, a small brokerage firm.

The two were reported March 12 to have fled the country after quietly shutting down operations.

The complaint, which alleges that Blich and Salant cheated their clients

## Police probe allegations of fraud at TA brokers

of an estimated \$12 million, was filed yesterday morning by Yosef Segev and Shmuel Spigelman, who were appointed FIT's receivers.

"This case is unprecedented. The suspects took the money from clients and deposited it in a trust, then bought shares with the money,"

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## MARKET STATISTICS

## Indices:

General Share Index	110.11	+3.05%
Non-Bank Index	120.59	+2.82%
Arrangement	105.32	+3.15%
Insurance	130.25	+4.08%
Commerce, Services	124.05	+2.58%
Real Estate	146.17	+2.19%
Industrials	113.69	+3.69%
Textiles	133.57	+4.21%
Metals	106.32	+1.82%
Chemicals	99.52	+4.24%
Electronics	110.38	+4.50%
Industrial Invest.	119.80	+2.59%
Investment Cos.	126.53	+1.26%
General Bond Index	100.74	0.00%
Index-linked Bonds	100.83	+0.86%
Fully-linked	102.31	+0.08%
Partially-linked	98.89	+0.07%
Dollar-linked Bonds	98.87	+0.29%
Short-term 0-2 yrs	100.32	+0.01%
Medium-term 2-5 yrs	100.70	+0.06%
Long-term 5+ yrs	99.85	-0.20%

## Turnovers:

Shares - total	NIS 10,015,000
Arrangement	NIS 2,175,600
Non-bank	NIS 7,839,400
Bonds - total	NIS 3,930,200
Index-linked	NIS 2,269,900
Dollar-linked	NIS 1,667,300
Treasury Bills	NIS 2,099,200

## Share Movements:

Advances	242	(9)
of which 5% +	107	(2)
"buyers only"	29	(0)
Declines	46	(371)
of which 5% -	5	(106)
"sellers only"	5	(231)
Unchanged	99	(20)
Trading Halt	51	(40)

## Bond Market Trends:

Index-linked	Stable/rises to 2%
3% fully-linked	

4.25% fully-linked	Falls to 2%
80% linked	Mixed to 0.5%
90% linked	Stable
Double-linked	Stable
Dollar-linked	
Admon	Falls to 1%
Rimona	Mixed to 0.5%
Gilboa	Falls to 0.5-1%
For. Curr. denominated	Mixed to 1%
Treasury Bills (monthly yield)	1.46% to 1.57%

## Arrangement yields:

IDB ord.	11.57%
Union 0.1	12.14%
Discount 0.1	12.05%
Mizrahi r.	11.89%
Hapoalim r.	11.95%
General A	13.04%
Leumi stock	12.03%
Fin. Trade 1	11.14%

## SELECTED PRICE QUOTATIONS

Name	Price	Volume	%
			1000HS change

Commercial Banks			
(not part of "arrangement")			
Martini 1	1144	13217	+10.0
General non-arr.	30200	91	+4.2
First In 1	3420	1838	-
FIBI	3428	4792	+4.9

Commercial Banks			
(part of "arrangement")			
IDB r.	80900	955	+4.4
Union 0.1	59400	59	+2.4
Discount	102100	111	+3.0
Mizrahi	33050	786	+3.9
Hapoalim r.	84480	831	+3.5
General A	135760	12	-
Leumi 0.1	34580	1283	+2.4
Fin. Trade	46800	-	+2.6

Mortgage Banks			
Leumi Mort. r.	4082	787	+10.0
Dev. Mort.	931	749	-
Mishkan r.	1871	133	-
Telehot r.	11350	141	+3.9
Mervar r.	2378	b.o.1	+5.0

Financial Institutions			
Agria C	34590	23	+5.0
Ind. Dev. DD	no trading		
Cial Leasing 0.1	8415	78	+10.0

Insurance			
Ararat 0.1 r.	no trading		
Hassaneh r.	2805	4928	+5.5
Phoenix 0.1	1181	-	+5.0
Hamishmar	5860	15	+3.4
Memorah 1	6200	6	-1.9
Sahar r.	3713	b.o.1	+5.0
Zion Hold. 1	12300	28	+1.7

Trade & Services			
Meir Ezra	4000	285	-6.0
Supersol 2	4020	448	+0.8
Delek r.	4515	2528	+1.7
Lightage	7538	78	-
Cold Storage	980	315	+0.5
Dan Hotels	3600	144	-
Yarden Hotel	3058	603	+10.0
Hilon 1	10487	60	-15.0
Tam 1	1549	576	-

Real Estate, Building and Agriculture			
Azarin	3890	1868	+2.2
Ellon	1148	1356	+5.0
Africa Int. 0.1	38900	107	+1.3
Denmar	3230	159	-
Prop. & Bldg.	2505	5830	+5.0
Bayshore 0.1	4100	76	+4.0
ILDC r.	44940	462	-
Rasoco r.	5280	292	-13.0
Mehadrin	5380	439	+9.8
Hadarim	no trading		

Industrials			
Dubek b	3068	279	-
Pri-Ze 1	2549	1588	-
Sunifrost	5377	501	-
Elite	14250	217	-
Adger	737	1862	+10.0
Argaman r.	6948	b.o.1	+5.0
Delta G 1	4250	592	+0.1
Maquette 1	22743	4	-
Eagle 1	8618	180	-
Polgat 0.1	8015	1668	+6.7
Schoeller	14800	246	+8.0
Rogosh	3100	827	+5.3
Ordan 0.1 r.	9890	359	-
Is. Can. Co. 1	948	3958	-
Zion Cables	2130	946	+7.0
Packer Steel	5301	283	-
Elbit 3 r.	40000	11	+5.1

Elron	375000	15	
Arit	28755	237	
Cial Electronics	2532	4271	
Spectronix 1	1814	984	
T.A.T. 1	3368	54	
Kolomoitn 1	1450	1141	
Agam 6	15238	79	+
Alliance	1083	278	
Dexar	2984	280	
Fortissars	9501	21	
Haifa Chem.	8653	5458	
Teva r	50000	112	
Dead Sea r	13270	3851	
Petrochem.	346	47957	
Neco Chem.	3000	85	
Flutromor	3571	150	
Hadera Paper	184650	191	
Central Trade	6050	921	
Koor p	473000		
Cial Inds.	1483	19045	



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## Peace versus terror

IT WAS THE RIGHT and proper retort to the latest crime against Israelis committed by the band of assassins which drapes itself with the mantle of "Egypt's Revolution," for President Hosni Mubarak to pledge to Israel's visiting Tourism Minister, Avraham Sharir, the immediate removal of all discriminatory restrictions on trade and tourism between Israel and Egypt.

The same self-proclaimed Nasserist gang had taken responsibility for a number of earlier attacks on Israelis in Cairo, including the murder of embassy official Albert Atrakchi last year. Its immediate purpose had been well advertised, too: to bring about the abrogation of the peace treaty between Egypt and Israel. But its composition was, and remains, unknown: thus it cannot be stated with any certainty whether it consists of Egyptians, inspired, and supported, by Libyans, or Syrians, or some PLO elements, or whether it is actually made up of foreigners.

The difficulty stems from the fact that in none of the group's earlier murder attacks were the perpetrators seized, let alone brought to the bar of justice. This has given rise to justified complaints in this country that the Egyptian authorities are showing insufficient zeal in protecting Israeli visitors, and - except in the case of Ras Burka - punishing their assailants. In an apparent bid to prove their goodwill, Egyptian officials have now promised to do everything in their power to catch the murderers of Eti Tal-Or who also wounded three other Israelis working in the Israeli pavilion at the Cairo Trade Fair.

Egyptian radio and television have broadcast detailed descriptions of two of the four reported assassins, and bade witnesses to supply the police with whatever evidence they can. But then Egyptian officials, from Mr. Mubarak down, must be well aware that "Egypt's Revolution" terrorist challenge is directed less at Israel than at their own government. Trying to appease the malefactors, even by failing to flush them out, would only boost their self-confidence. This could be most hazardous, especially after the recent Security Police riots revealed a damaging gap in Egypt's defence against subversion from within.

Cairo's vigorous response to the Nasserist violence demonstrates the wisdom of Premier Shimon Peres's policy of rapprochement with Egypt, endorsed by the cabinet despite considerable resistance from the Right. Had it been left to the Likud, there probably would never have been any agreement with Egypt on arbitration for Taba, and no prospect of genuine normalization in ties between the two countries.

The final test of the compromise on Taba is still to be worked out: indeed, the hardest question relating to it remains to be settled. But significant progress, which until recently seemed beyond reach, has been made, which was enough to generate a new atmosphere in Egyptian-Israeli relations. It may have been this that goaded the Cairo killers to action.

True, Egypt will not in any foreseeable future proclaim the justice of the Zionist cause - anyone there Israel will swear fealty to the cause of Pan-Arabism. Nor is Egypt likely to maintain normal ties with Israel on the basis of the Camp David accords if this country reverts to the Likud formula of using the accords as cover for annexation. Admittedly, too, there is an asymmetry between Egypt's attitude towards the peace, and Israel's. To Egypt, peace is a matter of pure self-interest; a means to an end which involves the benefits of a U.S. partnership, whereas to Israel peace is almost the embodiment of goodness itself.

But this is no warrant for claiming that "the Egyptians" do not want peace, but only unwarranted concessions.

The present mental divide will not in any case be bridged before a comprehensive peace is concluded by Israel and all, or at least most, of the Arabs. For the moment it is encouraging news that Mr. Peres and the Egyptian ex-premier who is now deputy head of his country's ruling party, Mustafa Khalil, expressed themselves yesterday in almost identical terms on the necessity for cooperation in the search for peace, even if without a common definition of the word.

## MUBARAK

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Mubarak's meeting with Sharir lasted for more than an hour and was sandwiched between the president's meeting with Chinese President Li Xianian and the official welcome for Jordan's King Hussein, who arrived in Cairo yesterday. Sharir gave Mubarak a personal message from Peres.

"The president," Sharir said, "repeated many times in our conversation that he is committed to the cause of peace and to cementing... the peace between our two countries." Mubarak, he said, expressed his "sorrow" over the attack and said he regarded it as an isolated incident.

Mubarak said "foreign elements" were behind the attack and assured Sharir that Egyptian security was doing everything possible to catch the attackers.

Mubarak told Sharir that he would see what "could be done" to speed up the processing of visas for Israelis visiting Egypt and to reduce border charges. Mubarak called "encouraging" Sharir's statement that Israel would allow Egyptian tourists to use Egyptian currency on visits to Israel.

The two also agreed that teams of Egyptian and Israeli journalists would exchange visits.

Sharir gave Mubarak a painting by Ibrahim Hijazi, an Israeli Arab from Tamra, showing an Arab village.

Sharir cut short his visit to Egypt and was to return here last night.

The three wounded embassy workers, Eti Yefet, 26, Uri Ziv, 31, and David Zruya, had received "satisfactory" medical treatment in

Cairo. Sheba Hospital doctor David Kreizler said yesterday. Kreizler commended the help extended by the Egyptians to the Israeli medical team that brought back the attack victims.

Zruya, hurt in the chest and in his left thigh, underwent vascular surgery in Cairo.

Yefet, hit by a bullet in her jaw, left shoulder and wrist, was operated on for several hours yesterday.

Ziv, hurt in both hands, underwent a long operation yesterday.

Peres said yesterday that he believed that Mubarak and his government were sincerely committed to peace and said that he had no doubt that the Egyptians would "take all the necessary measures to arrest the guilty and ensure that it does not happen again."

Vice Premier Yitzhak Shamir yesterday said that Israel could be assured by Cairo's promise to protect Israelis in Egypt.

The Egyptian consul in Eilat, Hassan Issa, said, "Egypt condemns all terror, and this attack will not stop us from advancing the cause of peace." Issa expressed his deep sorrow over the attack, and added that such an attack could have taken place anywhere, not only in Egypt.

Asher Wallfish adds:

Tehiya Knesset member Geula Cohen said last night that the murder in Cairo was "a direct result of official Egyptian policy which openly and crudely violates the peace agreement, even if the deed itself may have been carried out by an Egyptian terrorist organization."

## 'U.S. WANTS ISRAEL'

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the Reagan administration has remained neutral in the six-year Gulf War and would prefer neither side to win, an Iranian victory would be considered a greater threat to regional stability than an Iraqi one.

Iraqi relations with the U.S. are said to be "improving." The U.S.

appreciates the value of Iraq's reserves and the fact that it has the best-equipped army in the Gulf. Diplomatic ties were resumed in 1983 and Saddam Hussein's boycott of Egypt for signing the Camp David accords has been dropped. Subsequently, Iraq received \$1.5 billion of American credits to purchase wheat, rice and barley.

# TELLING HISTORY

YOSEF GOELL

THE DEPRESSING events of last week's Herut convention will, hopefully, not mean Herut will take a turn for the even worse.

It is still too early to know who will finally win control of the movement: whether Yitzhak Shamir will hold on for another few years and then hand the reins over to Moshe Arens; or whether Ariel Sharon and David Levy will wrest control and then fight it out in a final showdown between their own private militias of muscle-men, who were so prominent on the floor of the Tel Aviv Fairgrounds last week.

I am fairly confident that neither a majority nor a large plurality of Israeli Jews will ever vote for a party headed by the likes of Sharon and Levy.

Well, nearly never. There is always the chance that the alternative major party will suicidally insist on being so obnoxious and will put up such off-putting candidates for the prime ministership, that many voters would bring themselves to choose a Sharon or a Levy. But that would presume a pretty improbable series of ifs.

Our memories are notoriously short, so it pays to refresh them occasionally. The renowned Menachem Begin led his party to eight ignominious electoral defeats. There is no doubt that the theatrical, charismatic Begin always turned on quite a number of Israeli supporters. But the fact of the matter remains that he consistently repelled and frightened a much larger number of voters, who even preferred to vote for Golda Meir's Labour Party in December 1973, after the trauma of the Yom Kippur War, rather than for the sabre-rattling Begin.

Contrary to accepted wisdom, neither Begin nor the Likud won the elections of May 1977: Labour and Peres lost them. The Likud increased its Knesset seats only from 39 to 43 in those elections, while Labour lost an unprecedented 19 seats, most of them to Yigal Yadin's Democratic Movement for Change.

A very large bloc of Labour (or Mapai) voters turned against the party, because it had become corrupt, was incapable of dealing with urgent national problems in an effective way, and was fragmented between competing second-generation leaders - Peres and Rabin.

BUT EVEN when disgusted by Labour, very few of those voters could bring themselves to vote for Begin and the Likud. The few who did were largely influenced by the fact that, for the first time in nine elections, Begin was not in charge of his party's campaign. He suffered a heart attack in mid-campaign, and Ezer Weizman (remember him?) ran the campaign for the Likud.

Due largely to Weizman it was the first Israeli political campaign in which candidates were sold like toothpaste - a la American - by the advertising and public relations firms. Begin lost to the electorate as a genial, doting grandfather romping in Hayarkon Park with his grandchildren. It worked for enough voters to win the Likud four additional seats.

In 1981 Begin did win - by the skin of his teeth - having to depend on a coalition majority of one seat to form a government. What won for Begin over Peres in 1981 was an unabashed descent into the exploitation of raw ethnicism. The people who broke up last week's Herut convention were either the selfsame hoodlums who were sent by Herut to disrupt Shimon Peres's election campaign, or their younger brothers.

The lesson of 1981 would seem to negate my opening expression of guarded optimism that there will not be a reprise of such a campaign and of its results. But ethnic agitation alone would not have won Begin and the Likud the election then, were it not for Labour's falling into the ethnic trap and permitting a hired enforcer to let loose with some scurrilous ethnic slurs, and were it not for as serious a mistake committed by Peres himself.

Resting on his own well-deserved reputation as the expert on Israel's nuclear development, Peres permitted himself, in the middle of an

election campaign, to openly criticize the successful Israel Air Force bombing of the Iraqi nuclear reactor, ordered by Begin.

I HAVE a feeling that the potential for electorally profitable ethnic agitation has peaked and is now on the decline. Part of the problem with some of the comment on the violence at last week's Herut convention is the conclusion that the descent into mayhem represents a broadly based penchant for violence that has suffused all of Israel.

That is simply not true. Such phenomena are large enough at the margins to cause concern, but they far from represent what the average Israeli voter is prepared to countenance, much less admire.

After 1981, there was a universal shrinking back in horror from the cynical breaking of the taboo against open ethnic agitation in politics. Labour will certainly not repeat the mistake it made that year. But I believe there is also a similar revulsion against ethnic agitation developing within Herut, too.

There is still a possibility that Sharon and Levy may wrest control of Herut. Sharon is an incorrigible opportunist who will stop at nothing to win power.

Levy is a tragedy. He is one of the first politicians of Moroccan extraction to have built himself up to a position of real, rather than token, power: however, he found himself with the ethnic issue as his sole stock-in-trade.

The prospects are, however, that the triumph of a Sharon-Levy tactical coalition would send Herut into a long period of opposition and may well fracture that party altogether.

OPPONENTS of the Likud should not gloat over such a prospect. Israel is badly in need of a political system which consists of two major parties, with a strong, but responsible opposition serving to keep the ruling party on its toes. It is in that sense that the watershed election of 1977 constituted such a triumph for Israel's democracy; it brought to an end an unprecedentedly long period of unchallenged Labour rule.

The Labour Party has been very astute so far in playing its reactions to the unfolding tragedy within Herut with commendable reserve. It may well be that popular reactions to the face that Herut has revealed at its convention will prove to be the key to breaking the political impasse of the past few months.

Shimon Peres and other top Labour leaders know full well that their own secret polls conducted before the Herut convention showed that Labour might well not win enough seats in early elections to form a new government without the Likud.

It will take a few more weeks to see whether popular revulsion towards Herut will prove strong enough to change the showings in those secret polls. But Labour would do well to depend on such expectations, but to attend to those things that made the party and its leaders unpopular among so many uncommitted voters in the centre.

That task is all the more urgent today with the growing probability that a paralysed, internally riven Herut will at long last make it publicly acceptable for Peres to run the risk of abrogating his commitment to the rotation in the premiership and of calling early elections.

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### THE PROTECTION OF ANTIQUITIES

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir. - I would like to draw your attention and that of your readers to a series of events involving the protection of antiquities, with special reference to Tel Aviv, the more so since this particular case may prove to be a dangerous precedent and a hint to contractors and their like that archaeological sites are unprotected and that the antiquities law no longer operates.

Tel Hashbach is (or was) an archaeological site in Herzog Street in North Tel Aviv. It was registered as such in 1964 and 1967. In 1983, the Tel Aviv Municipality decided to convert the area to a public garden.

Mrs. Hayah Kaplan had been excavating here since 1980 and discovered a Byzantine fortified camp (a rare discovery) under which was a Hellenistic enclosure. Those preparing the area were warned that work here could not be commenced without a license from the Department of Antiquities and the area was reexamined by the area archaeologist with a view to further excavation.

On June 19, 1985, it was found that the contractors had been clearing the site for several days and only ceased to do so when the police were called. It was then found that much damage had been done to the archaeology of the site.

The area archaeologist came to an agreement with the contractors that the excavation of Tel Hashbach should be continued until an agreed date, and that the latter should furnish five labourers for the purpose. Only three were furnished, hence the work could not be completed by the agreed date, and an important new building (almost certainly a first century C.E. synagogue) had been discovered. The contractors refused all delay and renewed their work of destruction. The area archaeologist pronounced that the agreement had not been honoured by the contractors and filed a complaint with the police. The contractors nevertheless returned to their work of destruction; the police were called, but did not come.

The details of this course of events were communicated by the archaeologists concerned both to the Attorney General and to the Director of the Department of Antiquities with a view to prosecuting those responsible for the illegal destruction of a valuable archaeological site.

It is difficult to avoid the conclu-

### TAXI DRIVERS' EXPLOITATION

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir. - The other evening about 11:30 p.m., from inside an almost full sherrut taxi at the Tel Aviv Central Bus Station, I witnessed two old French-speaking ladies being told that there were no more sherrut taxis to Jerusalem, only specials. I intervened and eventually gave up my seat so that the old ladies would not have to wait for the next sherrut with the taxi drivers pestering them.

Meanwhile, I had been forcibly told by another driver to mind my own business, to get back into the taxicab, etc. This particular driver left with a load for Jerusalem about 12:20 a.m., but without me, as I did not want to have him drive me and he did not want me in his vehicle.

I said to the Israelis encoined in the first sherrut taxi something to the effect that they have an obligation if they care about Jewish values. If they care about how their country is seen abroad, if they care about their society, to prevent exploitation of the strangers in their midst, to make sure that violence they witness against strangers does not pay, I would like to say the same thing to all Israelis as I leave this country.

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